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THE LABOR MOVEMENT.

Sermon by Rev. A. R. Chalmers at Congregational Church.

A good sized audience was present at the First Congregational church to hear Rev. Andrew B. Chalmers deliver his sermon upon "The Church and the Labor Movement," Sept. 23d. Mr. Chalmers took for his text part of the eighth verse of the twenty-third chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew: "For one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren." Mr. Chalmers said in part:

"The fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man are very much emphasized in modern life. The church has begun at the fatherhood of God and is slowly feeling its way down to the common brotherhood, while the labor movement began at universal brotherhood and is slowly feeling its way up to the divine fatherhood. They have thus been coming together for the welfare of humanity. There can be no brotherhood without fatherhood and no fatherhood without brotherhood. There are ten commandments in the decalogue. Of those, four deal with man's relation to God and six with man's relation to man. Do you see the proportion, four to six? If God were to give those ten commandments now but one would deal with man's relation to God and nine would bear upon man's relation to man. Man must be fair to man if he would be true to God and the man who is unfair to man is lost to God as well.

"The labor movement has magnified the brotherhood conception of the divine relation. When we say 'Our Father' we reach out and take as a brother every man struggling against an adverse sea. The labor movement and its child, the trade union, has a long and honorable history.

I am inclined to think that there is a great deal of misconception as to the object and aim of the movement. The labor unions have found the idea of human brotherhood and are teaching the church, which has forgotten this brotherhood. The church has been always looking up toward the divine, while the labor movement has been looking down upon the earth, dark and unfriendly. God has given to you and to me the responsibility of bringing some light of Heaven into this earthly life of ours.

"The labor movement has been much misunderstood. It has been the struggling of the masses of men for better conditions. Many at present are inclined to think that the strike, the lockout, the boycott and the blacklist are all there is to the labor union. They have never known anything about it except through these. The boycott is to the labor union what the blacklist is to the capitalist. They are but pimples on the skin. The vitals of the labor movement are beneath. The labor movement is a movement of men toward the light, toward better conditions, more books, larger education and broader opportunities. Sometimes they don't know why they are making the struggle but they know that God has created opportunities that they ought to enjoy.

"Now, I don't think that the labor union is perfect any more than the church is perfect. I believe that the labor union, as the backbone of the labor movement is needed and that it is a means of bringing about better conditions among men. I believe that the labor union is, in a measure, inspired of God. They say to each other, 'If our brother has a job, don't go and bid under him and take the bread out of his mouth. Give him a chance to earn his living.' A man says, 'I have a right to

stay out of the union.' Certainly, but your duty calls you to enter it if there is one in your craft or trade. Just the same concerning the church, you have the right to stay out of the church but it is your duty to join. We are going to have better conditions in the business world when there are more organizations and when more men have banded themselves together for the common good of humanity. No one has asked me to preach this sermon and I am not subsidized by the labor unions. I simply speak for myself and not for you or for this church as a body."

Mr. Chalmers then went on to show what the unions have done for the laboring man in the matter of shorter hours and recognition by capital. He brought out the fact that as capital is banded together and represented by a president or manager, so labor has a right to organize and demand recognition as an organization and not as individuals. He spoke of the ready manner in which union men reach down into their pockets for those who are out of jobs and said that that spirit was the essence of humanity and Christianity. He then touched upon the consumers' league and its theory that each consumer is really the producer or manufacturer and that it is his own fault that the sweat shops are in existence where young girls and women are driven by starvation wages to live in dirt. He said that the labor unions had figured out a remedy to this by putting the union label on an article by which the purchaser could know that it was manufactured under conditions to give the workingman at least a living wage.

In closing Mr. Chalmers touched upon the great strike now on in Pennsylvania and deplored the lack of advance toward arbitration. He hoped that it might be brought about and threw the meeting open

to the audience to speak upon the subject or introduce any motions which they might desire to pass. He especially emphasized the fact that whatever should be done by the audience would be done by it as such and not as the church itself or pastor.

The following resolutions were then introduced by A. L. Button and passed by a rising vote with only one opposing vote:

"Believing that the interests of our common humanity demand a speedy settlement of the differences in the Pennsylvania coal district, we, the evening audience here assembled in the First Congregational church,

"Resolve, that an appeal be made to Governor William A. Stone of Pennsylvania to call immediately upon both parties in the present grave labor difficulty, to arbitrate.

"Further, that this be communicated to Governor Stone by telegram and that the resolutions be handed to the local papers for publication."

After the passage of the resolutions a contribution was taken up to defray the expense of the telegram, and the meeting closed with the singing of "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and the benediction.—Saginaw Evening News.

ELECTROCUTED.

Edward Meyers Met Awful Death From Live Wire.

Edward Meyers was instantly killed and his body badly burned late yesterday afternoon while an affrighted East Federal street crowd gazed helplessly at the awful spectacle.

With one wild shriek of agony the poor fellow fell headlong into a mass of wires and the body was so badly roasted that the nauseating fumes of burning flesh filled the air and sickened the onlookers.

It was only after the deadly electric current was shut off at the power house that the body could be rescued and lowered to the ground, where it presented an awful appearance. Death must have come instantly, but the work of the subtle fluid on the body made a pitiful sight.

Edward Meyers was employed by the Youngstown Electric Light Company to paint the street poles. He had previously worked at the same line of business for the Youngstown Telephone Company, but had finished with them and last Tuesday was employed by the electric light company.

Meyers was working on the East Federal street poles and at the time when he met his death he was on the cross arms of a pole that stands almost in front of T. E. Owens' second-hand store. What followed his ascent of the pole is best described by an eyewitness, James Maloney, of Sharon, who was standing on the opposite side of the street and who happened to have his

eye on Meyers when the accident occurred. Mr. Maloney said to a Telegram reporter:

"I was watching Meyers painting as I stood on the opposite side of the street and had but a moment before remarked to a man near by that it was a mighty dangerous business, when the accident happened. The painter was standing on the upper cross arm, it seemed to me, when he reached over toward his paint bucket to fill his brush. He seemed to me to touch a wire with his right elbow, for suddenly the brush flew from his hand. He gave a loud cry, straightened up and his body fell forward on the mass of wires. It looked at first as though the man would fall to the sidewalk and some people ran into the street, but the body stayed on the wires. His head seemed to be moving, but it likely was a convulsive movement, for he never moved nor did a sound escape him."

An alarm was quickly sent to the power house of the electric light company and also to the Central fire department, which responded with the big extension ladder truck. When the firemen and Superintendent Al Pabst, with several linemen arrived at the spot, the body was burning, his clothing, which was soaked with paint, was blazing briskly, the smell of burning flesh being all too perceptible. A tremendous crowd of people was attracted by the grewsome sight and the police had some difficulty in preventing a blockade on the pavements.

The extension ladder was quickly raised and was mounted by Fireman Charles Daily and Ike Thomas. At the same time Linemen Frank Hartman and Herman Baughman climbed up the pole. The electric current had been shut off, so that the men could work comparatively free of danger. With a bucket of water, which had been hoisted by means of a rope, the flames, which by this time had burned off almost all the clothing on the upper part of the man's body, falling in pieces on the crowd below, were extinguished, and the body was lowered to the pavement by means of a rope. It was removed to Gillen's morgue in the ambulance.

Coroner R. M. Morrison later viewed the body at the morgue and made an examination of it. The burns sustained were of a fearful nature, showing that the man's body had been actually roasted. The right leg above the knee was burned through, being almost severed, the bone being cut in two by the live wire. The left arm was badly burned and the right hand was clinched as if it had clutched a wire, but the fingers were almost burned off. The body was also otherwise burned, the left side being charred black. The man's face was purple with congested blood.

Meyers came to this city some months ago from Pittsburg, and had been employed as described above. He had been

boarding at the home of Mrs. A. McCaffrey on West Commerce street, who described him as an industrious, sober and well-mannered young man.

The relatives of the late Edward Meyers have been notified of his terrible death and will arrive in the city from the home in Pittsburg today. It is expected that the body will be shipped to Pittsburg for burial.

Meyers was a married man and his wife resides in Pittsburg with his family.

From the Grand President.

To the Brotherhood:

Since my letter appeared in the August Worker, I have received numerous queries as to the proper counsel to take and the proper ticket to vote at the next election. My friend Byrnes of No. 11 asks that I point out the road that the blind may know which way to travel. Now I expect you mean by this that I should state or rather advise you what person or persons you, in my judgment, should vote for. I cannot consistently do this and therefore refuse. I hold and maintain that in this enlightened age, when every man should be his own thinker, that it is wrong for me to advise any one to accept my views upon the political questions of the day without first investigating for himself. Read, study your own condition and that of your class, and then decide whether or no you can afford to cast your lot with those who have not any and can have no interest in you except for their private gain. Too long have the brain and brawn of this country relied upon the advice of others, and to their sorrow have they cast their ballot in the interest of those who, by reason of wealth acquired, claim to be superior in judgment and ability. Altogether too long have the wealth producers of America voted in the interest of someone else and against their own, under the mistaken belief that the interests of labor and capital are the same, and they have done so because someone else and not their better judgment have told, advised or persuaded that this was the only road that led to life, liberty and happiness, when the truth is it was and is the road to hell. We have been fooled, hoodwinked and played for suckers, you and I, all of us, therefore I say it does not become me or any other man or set of men to advise those who have brains and the power to reason, the way and for whom they should vote. I can simply point out to you the rocks, the shoals and the breakers, as I see them ahead, and you who have already passed over them and suffered shipwreck and disaster, been cast adrift upon the rocky isles of despair and sorrow, suffered at the hand of as merciless a band of pirates and cannibals as ever sailed the sea, you know or ought to know from your

own experience whether or no the old roads are safe ones. And Bro. Byrnes, so far as the roads are concerned, I believe you misunderstand me. There are only two roads, the right and the wrong one; both the old parties are traveling one and the same. There is no difference so far as you or I are concerned. While the roads may seem to verge widely just before election, it is only a question of a little while when they merge into one and the same road, and that road is the one to my mind that the wageworker wants to avoid. You cannot and ought not to expect either of the old parties to emancipate you. It is not what they are in the business for; it is not their interest to do so; neither is it their nature. They are working in the interest of their class and their class is the capitalistic class, and just so long as the dollar is placed ahead of the man just so long it will control elections, and just so long as the dollar controls the elections of the country, just so long will you and I drift lower and farther from the lamp of liberty and freedom, until there will come a time when in the darkness we will be disfranchised and deprived of the ballot altogether. Capital votes and uses its influence in the interest of its class every time, thus setting an example which you and I might do well to profit by, and the class whose interests we should support is our own, each and every time. There are candidates enough in the field this year so that a wayfaring man, though a fool, need not err, but if there are none suited to your views, do the next best thing. Take your choice of two evils. Perhaps there are no candidates in the field in your locality suited to your belief; perhaps you are to blame if there are none whom you can trust to look to the interest of your class. Why in the name of common sense did not you and your class see to it that there were? It is the workingmen of this country who elect those who represent the people in your State and congress. Then why, in the name of labor and common sense, don't the working people nominate and elect those whose interests are identical to theirs. One great fault lies with the wage earner because he relies too much upon what other people tell him, and other people don't always tell him what is good for himself. We seem to have a sort of reverence for the almighty dollar ourselves, and are quite apt to let it get ahead of the man in our political calculations. Away with the blind superstition that Capital is a sacred thing that all should fall down and worship. Stop, think and study, if you will exercise your brain one-fourth as much as you do your muscles, you will soon be in a position to know where you are at and what is for your own interest and that of your class.

Knowing this, you will soon find out that knowledge is power. My brother, vote as

your conscience dictates. If you believe either of the old parties are your friends and will be your emancipator why vote that way. On the other hand, if you are getting a little weary of being made the tool of someone to rob your ownself of your share of your products, if you feel that it is about time you asserted your manhood and began to be your own master for awhile, why look about you and see if you can't find some one whose interests are somewhat identical with yours. Exercise your brain, go into training for awhile, get your thinker up so it will compare favorably and be on a par with your muscle. This will cause you little trouble; the brain is there already. You don't have to produce it. It's there and in good shape, and if you will only give it a chance it will do wonders for you. Use a little common sense on election day and labor will be king as it ought to be. Here is a very good rule to follow: First find out what you want, be dead sure about it, and, having found out what you do want, go for it and go for it hard.

In September I had the fortune to visit the following cities, where our brothers are in good shape: Indianapolis, Norfolk, Washington, Phila., and this month have been in St. Louis, Belleville, and Cincinnati. No. 10 has a strike on for better pay and shorter workday and are putting up as pretty a fight as was ever seen. They have everything coming their way at this writing. I had the pleasure of being the guest of No. 80 on labor day. They appear to be in fine shape and are prospering. I was exceedingly proud of them as they appeared in the line of march. No. 26 is also in a flourishing condition; likewise Nos. 21 and 98. No. 21 is especially entitled to congratulations after surviving the plucky fight they engaged in. It was thought they would be doing well if they could muster enough members to hold their charter, but whoever thought so was mistaken. They did survive and are building themselves up in splendid shape again. Right and justice will triumph and No. 21 proves it. No. 98 is the second local in size in the I. B. E. W. and is a splendid body in every way. Its business is conducted as systematically and correctly as the business of a bank. Long life to them. Nos. 1 and 3, of St. Louis, are O. K. St. Louis is the model town for the working man, and Nos. 1 and 3 are to blame for it. Plenty of work, short workday and good wages with little or no trouble. With two business agents in the field (Pat. and John), how could they be otherwise? The best organized town in the U. S. if not in the world is the city of Belleville, Ills., of about 25,000 inhabitants and about 59 Local Unions. If you have no Card you are better off out of Belleville. It is the home of No. 50. Not a large local, but what they lack in size they make up in nerve and push. More power to them.

No. 30 of Cincinnati is waking up in good shape, no less than half a dozen were initiated the night I visited them. Wages have never been high in this Ohio city, but I am convinced that the brothers in Cincinnati are awake to the fact that in union there is strength, and to get what we are after we must organize. I believe No. 30 has a bright prospect of getting into line, and that before many months have rolled around. Take it all around, the condition of the electrical workers is very good all over the country. A great many linemen are going to Texas, where work seems to be plenty on account of the great storm. Work seems to be plenty in most places, the telephone companies are doing considerable new work and most of the linemen, as well as the inside men, are busy, and if the good weather continues, the prospect is they will continue so for some time.

One thing more and I will close. Most of the locals have ere this received a notice from No. 124, Galveston, telling of the awful calamity that has befallen them, how death and destruction have visited them and robbed many of them of kindred, friends and the accumulations of years. All swept away in one short hour. Brothers, if the appeal is made, answer it like men. That is all!

THOS. WHEELER.

October, 10, 1900.

To the Brotherhood:

Owing to the condition of our treasury and the fact that we have had many strikes the past season, I would suggest to the brotherhood that for the present we avoid as much as possible difficulties with contractors, companies and corporations, until such time as we will be enabled to replenish our treasury and otherwise fortify ourselves, that we be prepared to resist successfully any attempt upon the part of those who oppose us in our endeavor to better our conditions. It is the opinion of the officers of the brotherhood that only in the most extreme cases should a strike be called at any time, and for the present we would advise all L. U.'s to avoid striking. We advise this for the reason that we can give you no assurance of support at this time. We hope the different locals will listen to this and under no circumstances undertake to place the E. B. in a position where they will be compelled to refuse assistance to any Local which may be inclined to believe they are in a position to enforce a demand for better conditions.

Hoping this will meet with approval from all, I remain,

Fraternally,
THOS. WHEELER.

Mrs. Jones—"My husband is the light of my life."

Mrs. Smith—"So is mine. One of the kind that smokes and goes out at night."



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DEATH CLAIMS.

We are paying a great many death claims of late. Our boys are going one by one, many of them cut down in the full vigor of their manhood by that silent harbinger of death, the alternating current. It is gratifying to us to pay the funeral benefit when the member is in good standing on our books, but under no consideration will a claim be paid where there is a doubt until it is submitted to the E. B. So, boys, keep square on the books.

OUR SCAB LIST.

In another part of this paper we publish a letter from our G. P. that is self explanatory. Under his instructions the list has been discontinued, as on his travels he has been handicapped in his work of settling

strikes by having a contractor produce an Electrical Worker and show the list and say what kind of an organization have you. You are showing your weakness by publishing the deserters. Then for the discontinuance of the scab list.

OFFICERS of locals should be very careful in accepting cards and be sure they are properly sealed. It has come to our notice where cards have been presented by men who have absconded with the funds of the local and who had paid no dues for six months. Do not accept a card without knowing it to be O. K. It must have the seal.

ELECTRICAL workers are requested to stay away from Los Angeles, Cal.

It is important that George Scott should write to A. Scott, Cleveland Electric Ry. Co., Wilson ave., Cleveland, O.

OUR DUTY AS UNION MEN.

We once received a letter from a member of this Brotherhood asking if we had any right to investigate the causes of a brother's death when killed by an electric shock, he himself claiming we had no right; that it was a matter for the lawyer to decide, and ask the witness' opinion. In our estimation it is our plain duty and one from which there should be no shrinking. When a member of a local is killed there should be a thorough investigation made, for all electrical workers know just what causes the accident, and if on investigation the fault can be laid at the company's door, why they should be made to compensate for the loss of life as far as possible—made pay a sum sufficient to keep the wolf from the widow's or mother's door. This is a duty which should be paramount in our minds. If we fail to do this we are not doing our duty. Not many years ago there was a brother killed in Buffalo by an electric-light wire coming in contact with a cross-arm brace. The brother, in ascending the pole, grabbed the brace and got a ground from one of the wires on the pole. When the brother was picked up and taken to the morgue, had it not been for the foresight of Local 45 at that time, there would have been no examination; the widow, who received \$6,000, would have been thrown on the cruel mercy of the world. Yes, brothers, it is our duty to investigate all cases of this kind.

THE UNION LABEL.

We have often written on this subject, calling the attention of some men right in the ranks of organized labor to the fact that they are not fulfilling their duty as union men when they do not use the union label on all printing. Smoke nothing but union made cigars, chew union made tobacco, wear union made clothing and

shoes, in fact do everything, anything, that will help your fellowman. Don't say the printers' label is unsightly on a card, don't have any excuse, but put it there and if anyone finds fault tell him it is the emblem of liberty and justice; it stands for better wages, shorter hours and you consider it an ornament to the card. Tell them it is a silent reminder to you at all times to remember your obligation.

LETTER OF A PERSONAL NATURE.

The Editor of the Electrical Worker, acting under instructions from the Executive, cut each and every sentence of a personal nature from the columns of this paper, believing it to be for the best interests of our organization to do this, as the paper reaches those who do not belong to our organization and it simply gives them a chance to say, as has often been said, why workmen could do better but for the constant cross-firing and spleen throwing. The Brotherhood has a constitution that protects each and every member, and if brothers have been wronged there is redress. Let us conduct our business in a business-like manner, for it has been well said everybody's business is nobody's business. When a press secretary is elected to write for a local, he may sometimes let his own personal feelings to influence him to write something that his local may not sanction. As far the editor of the paper is concerned, he stands ready to be censured for any short comings for he is not infallible, but he would rather be censured by letter than through the paper. Not that he would refrain from printing any letter that gave him a calling down, as far as he personally is concerned, but for the effect it has with the organization. Sometimes a press secretary will complain because he has not received his paper and then start in to overhaul the publisher, without stopping long enough to look the ground over carefully. We do not claim to be able to deliver every paper every month and we know of no publication of good literature that does. We simply do the best we can at all times. We have received complaints through the mails from members who were six months in arrears wanting to know why they had failed to get the Worker. The publisher has sent papers to men who have been suspended, thinking that they might see something that would arouse them from their slumber and awaken them to a realization of their duty. But after a reasonable trial the paper is stopped. Then they halloo. We dare say there have been members in good standing who at times failed to get their paper. This we know to be true, and we will not say it was not our fault at times, but it is not our fault all the time. If locals will furnish the addresses of the members we will do the best we can to get the paper to them, but we must have

the help of every member of the Brotherhood. If the publisher is at fault, go for him, prove he is at fault and he will take his medicine like a man, and do better next time. But, brothers, cut out all things of a personal nature; it does no good, but lots of harm. I don't believe any brother wants to injure another, but simply to give vent to his pent up feelings. But, my brother, find some other way to do it. The writer's attention was called to a letter once that was printed in our paper. The gentleman who pointed it out was not a member of a labor organization but one who thought organized labor a good thing. He said, just as long as laboring men will cross-fire at one another just so long will they be the under dog in the fight. So, brothers, don't cross-fire. Devote your time in giving the condition of trade and how your local is progressing.

AFTER the month of October, owing to the fact that the list of scabs as published in the Worker is apt to work us an injury to a greater or less extent, we have concluded not to publish the list as heretofore. A list will be kept in the general office of all scabs past, present and future and any local or member can secure the same upon application. We do this believing it for the best interests of the organization, believing that a list of scabs is in no way ornamental to our official journal. It is only a comparative few of these rats who have a sense of feeling or honor sensitive enough to be affected by seeing their names published and a great majority of them can't comprehend that they are the social lepers in the labor world, so what's the use of publishing to the world that a rotten egg occasionally gets into our nest.

THOS. WHEELER.

Treasurer's Report for September.

Death claim 101, J. A. Crann...	\$ 100 00
Death claim 102, R. D. Lucas...	100 00
Death claim 103, Edward Strong	100 00
T. Wheeler, general expense...	45 50
T. Wheeler, general expense...	75 90
T. Wheeler, general expense...	88 57
F. Morrison, P. C. to A. F. of L, July, Aug. Sept.....	60 00
F. Morrison, Sp. Asst. A. F. of L.	120 00
P. H. Wissinger, org. 148, Wash- ington, D. C.....	15 00
W. G. Spinning, ptg. sup. for L. U.....	71 75
W. G. Spinning, ptg. E. W. and paper.....	339 90
W. G. Spinning, ptg. sup. G. O.	42 65
J. J. Ernisse, emb. buttons...	167 00
H. W. Sherman, salary Sept....	100 00
M. K. Clinton, salary Sept....	30 00
E. M. Parry, salary Sept....	20 00
W. W. Powers, rent.....	12 50
Mailing Worker.....	17 30
Postage.....	15 00

Express.....	\$12 09	63	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$5.00
Fee for protested check, Local		66	17.40	4.00			21.40
52.....	1 71	69	15.40	6 00			21.40
Exchange.....	3 67	71	3.80				3.80
Telegrams.....	12 69	72	2.60	5.00	1.50	3.00	12.10
Scranton, W. & Co., office sup- plies.....	2 68	73	7.40	3.00	25		10.65
		75	7.80	56.00	3.00		66.80
		76	11.00	14.00	75		25.75
Total expense.....	\$1,553 91	77	22.00	10.00			32.00
RECAPITULATION.		79	23.00	22.00	4.25		49.25
Amount on hand Sept. 1.....	\$1,608 14	81			50	3.50	4.00
Rec'd from Gen. office for Sept.	2,452 15	82			75		75
		83	15.40	8.00	2.00		25 40
Total.....	\$4,060 29	84	21.80	14.00		20.00	55.80
Sept. expenses.....	1,553 91	85	7.80	4.00			11.80
		87	9.00		25		9.25
Amount on hand Oct. 1.....	\$2,506 38	88	7.60		2.00	1 00	10.60
Respectfully submitted,		89	5.40	24.00			29.40
P. H. WISSINGER,		90	12.20	8.00			20.20
Grand Treas.		91	3.40		25		3.65
		92	9.00				9.00
		93	4.60	1.00	1.00		6.60
		95	4.60		25		4.85
		96	9.00	9.00			18.00
		97	15.00	6.00	50	1.00	22.50
		98	50.00	50.00			100.00
		99	4.40	3.00			7.40
		100		7.00			7.00
		102	22.40	46.00			68.40
		103	7.80	2.00			9.80
		105	12.80	12.00	2.00		28.80
		108			10		10
		109			2.25		4.00 6.25
		110	2.80				2.80
		115	3 00	7.00	1.75		13.25
		118	13.20	6.00			19.20
		120	6.00	10.00	.50		21.50
		121	23.60	6.00			29.60
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OUR LOCALS.

Local Union No. 1.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 6, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Sixth Grand Vice-President J. H. Maloney visited our city about four weeks ago. Grand President Wheeler was with us last week. Both brothers are popular in St. Louis, and no efforts were spared to make their visits as pleasant and successful as possible. Bro. Maloney attended the regular meetings of No. 1 and No. 3, and gave the boys some practical advice. Brother Wheeler could not stay for the regular meeting of No. 1, but a special meeting was called to give the members an opportunity of meeting our grand president. Bro. Wheeler was at his best and gave the boys an interesting and instructive talk on the progress of the organization and the benefits to be derived from a thorough organizing of the craft.

The grand officers were called to St. Louis by No. 3 to settle a question of jurisdiction between that union and the union at Belleville.

Work in St. Louis has been good all summer; at times it was impossible for our delegate to furnish the required number of men, and the boys got in a great deal of overtime. Prospects are not so favorable for the fall and winter as there are not many large buildings under way.

The boys are taking more interest than usual in politics this year, but as about 99 per cent. of the members are for the B. and S. ticket (these letters sound familiar to electrical workers), the contest is rather one-sided.

On Sept. 1st the Imperial Heat, Light and Power Co. commenced lighting a portion of the city under the new ten-year lighting contract. It will have all the lights called for in its contract (about 1,000 arcs and 700 32 c.p. incandescent) going Oct. 15. This is for the business or downtown portion of the city. The resident section of the city will be lighted by 1800 Welsbach mantle-gas lamps. When the old contract expired on Sept. 1st about three-fourths of the city was left in darkness. The gas lamps will not be all going before Jan. 1st. Now, when we are out at night, if it is not moonlight, we carry lanterns. Mention was made of the lighting muddle in previous letters, so it is not necessary to go into detail here. The gang that is responsible for the present condition in this city will be up for re-election in the spring. We have already started to grind our axes.

The Imperial Co. started in business a little over two years ago and has been strictly union from the start. If a man applies for work the first question asked by

the superintendent is: "Do you belong to the union?" If the answer is no, he is told that the company can get along without him. The Imperial Co. adopted this policy because the president and general manager, Mr. E. G. Bruckman, is an up-to-date business man who reasoned that an association or union of workmen was both natural and logical, and consequently the best men, the intelligent men, who could think and reason, would be in the union, and as a business proposition it was to his interest to employ union men. And we venture the assertion that his two years' experience with union men has convinced him that his reasoning was correct.

The Imperial Co. entered the field in competition with three old established companies with millions of capital, and has today one of the finest plants in the country and is doing already one-half of the lighting and power business of the city. The old companies, with their cheap labor, are losing trade every day. The Missouri-Edison Co., which at one time thought it had a cinch on the business in this city, now sees the mistake it made when it refused to recognize the union and tried to run its business with cheap labor.

The Imperial is installing five additional boilers and a new unit consisting of a 2500 h.-p. Fulton engine directly coupled to a 2000 k.-w. Westinghouse 500-volt generator.

The arc plant for city lighting is in a temporary structure at the east end of the main plant, and consists of 12 Western electric d.-c. arc machines driven by six 200 h.-p. motors, each motor being directly connected to two arc machines. The arc machines are rated at 126 lamps at 70 volts and 6.8 amp. This gives 8800 volts on the line. The lamps used are the Adams-Bagnal enclosed series. Three circuits are under ground. The other circuits are fed from 12 conductor cables, one to the north and the other to the south of the underground district. The company has had a great deal of trouble with the lamps on the underground circuits on account of static electricity in the cables, as many as 50 lamps being disabled on a single circuit in one night.

I should like to hear from some of the brothers in cities where they have high-tension enclosed direct current arcs on underground circuits if they have had trouble from static, and how the difficulty was overcome. I will give further details of our experience here in my next.

ELECTRON.

Local Union No. 3.

St. Louis, Mo. Oct. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

St. Louis electrical workers had the honor of entertaining two of our executive members in the persons of Sixth V. P. J. H. Maloney and G. P. Thos. Wheeler. Both brothers gave the members great en-

couragement and I am sorry that their visits were so brief. We hope they will visit us again and help us to strengthen our ranks more thoroughly.

About 25 of our members left us for Galveston, Texas, to help our brothers there in their distress. I would not dare try to mention any of the brothers that came through St. Louis as it would take up a few columns.

Bro. F. H. Brewster had an accident last week, but is up and around again. Bro. Harry Parsons left us last evening bound for San Diego, Cal. We hope that he will reach his destination in safety. We know that it is impossible under his condition to get any worse as he is beyond that point.

Bro. Brennan is working again after several weeks sickness. He was knocked off a pole by a primary and remarkably escaped with his life. Work is fair in St. Louis at present, but would not advise anyone to leave a job and come here to stay as we expect it will slack up in a few weeks. Wishing all brothers success, I remain,

JOHN J. MANSON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 4.

New Orleans, La., Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

In regard to H. W. Boyd, former F. S. of No. 4, I can say, in going over the books, we find that he absconded with the sum of \$91.95, \$68.25 being for per capita tax and initiation fees. Twenty dollars and twenty-five cents of this sum was voted by No. 4 to aid the N. Y. & N. J. Tel. strike and \$3.50 for a blackboard for No. 4, making a total of \$91.95. He also collected some money for dues, but I cannot state the amount, and now, Bro. Sherman, we want him published in The Worker and make it good and strong as he will be made to feel the effects of his dishonest act. Since he left us we have had our F. S. bonded, also our treasurer, and hope we will not have anything like this happen again.

I wrote to Atlanta, Ga., as soon as I heard Boyd was there but never received a reply. If Boyd has a card he must have joined some other local or else his card is forged, for he has not paid any dues in No. 4 since March.

Hoping that you will receive this in time for this month's Worker and wishing the Brotherhood success, we remain,

Fraternally yours,
MIKE HAY, Pres.
R. A. BENSON, Rec. Sec.

Local Union No. 5.

Braddock, Pa., Oct. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As it is time for No. 5 to be heard from again, I will endeavor to give all the boys of the Brotherhood an idea as to how our local is progressing. We still have a good

attendance and if our president, Harry Haas, continues to handle us as he has been doing, I think the boys will be more zealous. Our last meeting was opened at 8:30 and closed at 10 o'clock, which I believe breaks the record. A great many more would attend if they thought the meeting would not keep in so late. Our new by-laws were read and approved last Friday night, which was the third reading, and no doubt will be in print by this time next month.

Bro. Harry Welsh has resigned as business agent and has gone to Buffalo and we have elected Bro. W. J. Pierce to fill his place. As our newly-elected recording secretary, Bro. Walter Shauers, failed to appear for three consecutive meetings, they had the nerve to elect your scribe in his place, simply because I was willing to officiate so that the meeting could be called to order. Well, brothers, I will fill the office to the best of my ability.

Bro. Morehead is reported very sick, which we regret very much and hope he will pull out all right again soon.

The municipal electricians met here last week and the Bureau of Electricity of Pittsburgh gave them a grand reception. They visited all the industries of any importance and wound up the amusements with fireworks at Shenley Park. A generator in operation was one of the set pieces and Niagara Falls was represented in another. Bro. Harry Welsh somehow or other got into the push and went the rounds with them and said "they visited the Westinghouse Electric Penitentiary and saw some of No. 5's convicts plugging away," and that, "if hell is as hot as the Carnegie Steel Works at Homestead the electricians should connect themselves with some religious organization and keep their dues paid up because it would be cruelty to animals if they should be ordered to such a place."

We have a stump speaker in our local that goes into action in a very reluctant way. He does not speak on electrical subjects, but things pertaining to the ancients. He says there is a man in this town that can sign his name to a two million dollar check that used to work along side of him for \$50 a month, and now they don't speak. But Teddy says "I know him." Now I don't want anybody to think I mean Teddy Roosevelt, because it is not the same Teddy, though they both show their teeth. We don't mind how much one Teddy speaks for another, but do not think our Teddy should practice up on an insignificant body of men who don't study politics.

We understand a charter has been granted to a negro local at Jacksonville, Fla., and want all to know that we stand by Local No. 88 in her request that the charter be revoked. We have turned down several negroes here. The electrical business seems to be steady, there being

one twelve story building going up and several others are adding on one or two stories. There is a demand for office room and should any traveling brother happen to blow this way he will find that our business agent will give him the marble heart unless he can show up a good, up-to-date due card and traveling card. Always bring them with you as you might not have money enough to keep you till they arrive. We expect to be treated the same way should we go anywhere else.

In our by-laws just adopted it states that our initiation fee shall be \$10 and the examination fee shall be \$5, and \$1 a month dues in advance. Every applicant must pass an examination because, if a man carries a card from Local No. 5, it is understood that we vouch for him as being capable of doing work that will pass the inspection of the board of fire underwriters. If there is a local still in existence at Louisville, Ky., let them be heard from next month.

I will try to give you an idea as to the size of eight D. C. Generators the Westinghouse Co. is making preparations to build for the Manhattan Railway of N. Y., I am told the armatures of which are to be 35 feet in diameter.

I will close, wishing the Brotherhood success. Our list of officers are as follows:

Pres.—H. H. Haas.

Vice-Pres.—W. J. Pierce.

Rec. & Press Sec.—R. L. Bruce.

Fin. Sec.—Chas. Camp.

Treas.—F. G. Randolph.

First Insp.—T. D. Butler.

Second Insp.—H. B. Grant.

Forman—Herman Tepel.

Trustees—M. S. Enlow, Geo. Rudolph, H. H. Haas.

Executive Board—J. S. Hasking, Jas. Bowen, M. S. Enlow, W. J. Pierce, T. D. Butler.

Yours fraternally,

R. L. BRUCE,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 7.

Springfield, Mass., Oct. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Fellow workers and brothers, we are forging to the front as electrical workers and from all accounts unions of all kinds are on an increase. Look at our directory, a jump from ninety to one hundred forty-seven. Keep it up, grand officers, and we will soon reach the two hundred mark. Get all members possible and stay by your union, keep a good fellowship and harmony always, but remember we cannot stand still. We are bound to go forward or stay back and get out of date. Every union should have a committee on literature, and some of the works of advanced students on the social problems ought to be laid before all workers and thereby let them learn something, and not, as is often

the case now, talk of boycotts, and in some cases strikes. That is a social war. The better system is to have peace and to that end be able to know and to administer a remedy. Get some of the journals from other unions and see what they are doing. That will be of interest to you, as a trade unionist.

"CONSOLIDATION."

"Everything at present tends to consolidate and to become great. There is a capitalistic class and a working class. The capitalistic class understand their business thoroughly and to that end they organize in great unions of so-called trusts, and they have things to come their way, too. Now for the working classes. They have all kinds of fights to fight. One another in politics, for one is a republican, and another a democrat, and some lay claim to different religions, and so on in an endless chain. It is like a lot of school boys fighting over nothing. Brothers, no matter what you are, we should all be one; but now that some possess more wealth than others there is a difference, and we the producing stratum of society, are commonly called the lower classes. We are the lower for if we were not we should know enough to stand together and gain the respect that is due us, but laboring classes cannot see their own interest. Political bigotry and religious superstition have got many a man enchained, and like so many head of cattle each one his own way. Not so with the capitalists. Their creed or politics make no difference; their business is on identical lines when they form their unions. Will labor ever learn that they are all brothers and ought to stand in close touch with one another for the common good of all. The New Zealand labor unions have got together and set an example of what organized labor can do, when they use their brains. We don't talk of mob law or unjust extortion but fair play ought to be in line. Political economy, and the merits thereof, would not hurt the laboring classes to discuss. As it does not seem to hurt the capitalists, why should it do harm to the worker! The fact is we have had someone else to do our thinking and acting for us too long. Boycotts, strikes, lock-outs and black lists are the result. 'As you sow, so shall you also reap.' Your condition is getting worse right along. Are you going to try to help yourself? Decide soon."

October 11th, the State unions will have a conference in this city at which the press secretary was told the president and second vice-president are expected to be in attendance. We expect a large delegation from throughout the state. Now about our inside women—their agreement was not signed up to Saturday, Sept. 30th, Sunday the insidemen held a meeting and decided to strike, but when they carried their agreement around Monday morning

the contractors signed it, and the strike lasted four hours. The whole trouble was about car fare, coming and going to work, on the contractors' side. The trouble on the other side was on account of the objection of contractors to wiremen going in business without one year's notice. They have come to an understanding, and all parties are satisfied. All men are now at work.

Our union is now in a very prosperous condition. We initiated two members and received applications for six more. We expect the same amount at our next meeting, for which we can thank Bro. Pring. He is doing good work.

Bro. Smith is still on the sick list, but is getting along nicely at present. The press secretary was laid low last week with malaria; he has pulled through and is now able to write. Our worthy president has been laid up for the past week for being too strong in lifting.

The local voted last night to run a dance about the middle of November. The press secretary thinks that if all who turned out in the parade Labor Day will buy tickets it will surely be a success. We will have a fine electrical display which will be worth coming miles to see. We will also have an entertainment before the dance.

As I have no more news, will say good bye.

Yours fraternally,
T. H. B.

Local Union No. 9.

Chicago, Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

With the roar of the present political battle growing daily, No. 9 is growing stronger just the same and is fast becoming one of the leading labor locals in the west. We are adding new lights every week and progressing very nicely.

All workers in Chicago are working and seem satisfied. There are quite a number of our brothers in Chicago who have forgotten that we hold a meeting every Saturday night at 83 Madison street. Brothers, wake up; good attendance makes good meetings. Come down and see us; you will find a light in the window and the latchstring hangs outside the door. (Paste this in your hat.)

Bro. Bob Currie, one of our shining lights, has gone west to seek fame and fortune, and wherever he lights he has the best wishes of No. 9. (Good luck, Bob.)

Bro. Tony McGlore, who fell from a pole and was injured August 17th, is working again.

Bro. James Kerns, who was thrown from a pole August 17th, is walking about on crutches.

Bro. Mike Sullivan, of 49, while at work for the Commonwealth Electric Co., Sept. 25th, fell from the top of a forty-foot pole. On his descent he struck a street car feeder and bounded off to the ground

twenty feet below. He got up, pulled himself together and was ready to resume his work. A few slight scratches was all he received.

Bro. A. L. Dunn, while at work for the Commonwealth Electric Co., Sept. 29th, received a shock and fell about thirty feet from a pole and was badly shaken up; he is getting along nicely, but will not be able to be out for some time yet.

With best wishes to all sister locals and expecting a hearty endorsement of the insurance proposition that will be brought before them, I remain,

Yours fraternally,
WM. HICKS.

Local Union No. 14.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Business for the up and down jabbers is rather brisk in this district at present and we hope for a continuation of the same. Every one seems to be working and all the companies are paying the price except the one that always paid \$2.35. Our charter is still open, and the boys who are not sore on the proceedings of last winter and spring are doing the right thing.

'Twas not very hard for ex-Bro. H. T. Sullivan to succeed in pulling the wool over several of the Bros. of 14 and 5, but it seems to be a very tedious undertaking to succeed in having him expelled from the brotherhood. For the benefit of those who as yet have not been officially notified as to his dishonest dealings while in Pittsburg, I will illustrate a few. In the first place he caused himself to be elected business agent of L. U. 14 at a salary of \$10 and expenses; of course that included all he could fake on the side. There were at this time but 19 members. Where did his salary and expenses come from? See later in letter. This did not last very long as he secured a position with the light company pushing a gang at \$2.33 per day. He has good union principles(?). He also has a great gift of gab and would make a good street grafter and that is what he should be doing instead of robbing his brother workmen right and left. Our books show receipts from Jan., 1900, to July, 1900, of \$250. Where has all this money gone? We have nothing whatever to show for even \$50 of said amount. He collected money from good heads on applications, gave them receipts for same but that was the end of it, as far as he had any interest except to try and get more if possible. When we approach these parties with an application they give us to understand that they were played for suckers once, etc., etc. Another will say, "Do you think I am going to give you fellows my hard-earned money to turn over to that booze-grafter, Sullivan?" Why, brothers, it is simply outrageous to hear the different re-

ports that come in daily. On this account several members have dropped out altogether. Furthermore, his name has been the drawback in swelling our membership. He is a detriment to the brotherhood and always was. Look what he did in Columbus, O., Indianapolis, Ind., and many other places. There are no reasons why he should not receive a dishonorable discharge at once. One could fill a book with his dirty work and if this letter does not answer the purpose we will proceed on some more effective course.

There are several other parties from this locality who are not right by a long way. Should they come your way, please communicate with 14 before you allow them to enter your hall. They are as follows: F. D. Malone, Sullivan's right-hand man; he was treasurer and should have received part or all of the \$250 mentioned. J. McKay, known as Phila. Jack, was in the bunch also and is still about seven months in arrears, and Ben Hill, of Grand Rapids, was initiated here Dec., 1899, then simply dropped out since March, 1900, and said that it was all right for any one to belong to a union when he was compelled to. There is no reason why any man who works one day in a month cannot pay dues, which is one of the most important duties of a union man. According to my notion, there should be a list of such parties kept on file, then when they come around to enjoy the privileges that a man with a good, paid-up card does, you can tell them where to get off at. Shut them out all over the country is the only way to bring them to time.

We held an open meeting Sunday, Sept. 23, and had refreshments of the most appropriate nature, for a wire-fixers' blow-out, namely, American Brew. Co. and Lutz & Sons' export. The Hamilton House did not forget us. Mrs. Hamilton donated the hams, bread, utensils of war, such as quart tin cups and trays. Everything was conducted in a first-class manner. Bro. Burgess, the ex-tree trimmer, was the king bee. Of course he does not partake of such a common thirst quencher as hops or he would not have been allowed to preside. Several other members were conspicuous, such as Red Likes and Baum-burg, the electrical expert, also Thompson and Frank Occount and several other parties too numerous to mention. I am pleased to state, however, that no one became so unruly but what the strong-arm committee, which consisted of Binkie Cunningham, who intends in the near future to cut his eyes in multiples instead of series, Bill Domm and U. G. Scott, could keep the peace. When you come our way and there is anything doing, we will show you a good time, but be sure and don't come if you are in Bateman's class, or the reception committee will take care of your case. Bateman came up to the

Hamilton House some three weeks ago and I don't think he will return in a hurry.

As the P. & L. E. Ry. don't pay me for overtime and I believe in the 8-hour system will ring off.

Fraternally yours,
D. D. MCKAY.

Local Union No. 16.

Evansville, Ind. Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Local No. 16 is still on top but we are not taking in any more new members just now; I don't know what is the matter.

I would like to hear from some of the other locals about taking in linemen who have not been in the business but a year or two; I don't think it is right. We could swell our local by taking in men with that experience. I heard that No. 10 has had some trouble at Indianapolis. I hope you win out all right; you have the sympathy of No. 16.

Brother Water-tank Hoskins is with us again. He is working here now and is a good man to have; he was at our last meeting. We did not have a very good one as so many of the boys are out of town and will be five or six weeks.

I will bring this to a close before the light goes out. I remain,

Fraternally yours,
DUTCH,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 17.

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, the time has rolled around again for another letter. I thought I would let you know that we are still on earth and still adding new members to our local every meeting night. I am very sorry to hear that one of our brothers had the misfortune of losing his life on his way to Galveston in search of work in company with some of the boys who were to become members of our local had they not been laid off.

The Telephone Co. and the Edison Co. have just laid off about twenty more men. We are in hopes that there will be no more laid off this fall and also that the brothers have found work before this time.

We haven't heard anything from our sister locals that are out to better their conditions. We would be pleased to hear how they are getting along and hope that they have had their troubles adjusted satisfactorily before this, for the winter is coming on.

This is a short letter but will try and do better next time. We would like to hear from James Pearson who was with our brother Charles Rowe.

Yours,
EDWARD HINSON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 21.

Philadelphia, Oct. 1, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As it is time for another writing in our journal, which every local in the brotherhood ought to take great interest in sending, as it is very interesting to those concerned and what helps make the daily bread for all and good wages is labor organizations. Every member should work hard to unite all in the electrical craft. Would like to see in all cities the telephone or "hello" girls organized in a union by themselves, but under the I. B. E. W., and to keep the linemen out of their order as visitors.

Well, brothers, I haven't much for this issue, owing to being out of town and don't know what took place at our last meeting, but wish to state that in last issue I neglected to thank all sister unions for what they contributed to Local 21 during her trouble against organized capital, which was fully appreciated. This brotherhood has helped the wages all over this country and will continue if every brother will do his utmost to push the cause along. Don't leave the lodge room because something doesn't suit you; live up to the majority vote taken and live in harmony.

I can say to the brothers at large that the linemen in Philadelphia are very sociable with each other, much different than a few years back, and are now showing brotherly love to one another for which the city is noted.

We have a few scabs to contend with, but are making it good and warm for them and leading them a dog's life. The Almighty is killing off a few and we will have them turned out before long.

Local 21 would like to hear from union No. 27, to know how she made out with her strike as there was nothing in the last issue. Local 21 is interested in that affair. We both had an uphill fight.

Would like to hear from Bro. James Laden and others who were here during the strike and fought for a noble cause. I met Bro. Joe Lynch in Easton, Pa., near going the voyage. Hope poor Joe recovers and his speech returns to him as under present conditions he won't be able to abuse the scabs.

Well, brothers, as this is a quiet country and all retire with the boys who roost so high, and arise accordingly. I mean Butz-town, Pa. Excuse for time being. I remain, yours,

P. S. Pro Tem.

Local Union No. 22.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Omaha's great festival of A-K-Sar-Ben has come and gone, and to say it was a grand success is putting it very mildly. There was a grand series of band concerts by the famous Bellstedt Band. This form

of amusement has proven a revolution, and I sincerely hope it will be continued even on a grander scale in the future. The proceeds of the concerts go towards building a convention hall which, when finished, will place Kansas City in its wake. I am in favor of every electrical worker using his utmost efforts in helping raise funds for the grand convention hall.

The street fair, which was held in conjunction with A-K-Sar-Ben, was a grand success, and next year it will be doubly so. These enterprises do more for the electrical trade than do the staple work of the city. The electrical effects were too numerous and grand to mention.

Paul Meyers, of the Boston Store, and City Electrician Schurig deserve great credit for some of the finest displays. I can further say all work was done by first-class union men, which gives me great pleasure.

There is a proposition before the people of Douglas county to vote bonds to enable some grafters to construct a rural electric road, and I for one would say "never." If a rural electric is practical there will be capitalists falling over each other to get a right of way. There are enough bonds floating around now.

Boss Ed. P. Smith is trying to square himself, but he is doing so with a go-between. Now, the action of Boss Ed. P. Smith may not injure national politics, but what they will do will be of a local nature. Some day these political bluffers will get wise and not try to bluff good union men by running in rank scabs as a test. Woe to the action of the Jacksonian club in South Omaha on that Bryan and Stevenson day. Local No. 22 will keep its eagle eye on that club.

W. S. Cook has been awarded the contract for re-wiring the South Omaha Brewing Company's buildings. Now, here is where the rub comes: Cook is an unfair electrical contractor, but he has the nerve to sign a contract in which union labor is stipulated. The end will be Cook forfeits the contract and a call for new bids will be in order. Mr. Jetter told our committee nothing but first-class cards will be recognized on this job.

Poor Ed. Fee has hardly been laid to rest before the wheels of politics begin to revolve in favor of those rank young bums who so brutally murdered him. I am informed that friends are now securing bonds. I would like to have the district attorney look before he leaps. Local No. 22 has appointed a committee of three whose duty it is to investigate reports regarding crooked work in Ed. Fee's case, and all brothers may rest assured the committee will do its duty.

Chas. Sid. Andres, of Local No. 198, Philadelphia, I received your letter. We will see that no member of Local No. 22 goes to your city while trouble is on.

Local No. 22 voted a gift of \$10 to 124, of Galveston. We heartily sympathize with you, brothers, and hope 124 will be on solid footing soon.

Fraternally yours,
GEO. E. RUSSELL,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 23.

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As No. 23 hasn't been heard from for a year or so and we have no press secretary at present, I will write a few lines. We are getting along very nicely, added two new lights at our last meeting and have five more ready to turn on at our next, that is if their fuses don't blow, I mean if they come up with the dough.

We received Bro. J. Foster's card back from No. 77 at our last meeting. There is a good many of our old boys out rubbing around between 76 and 77 and they are all right too. No. 23 has lost most of her electric light men, some of whom say they will come back if we will keep one or two others out. We think there will be no trouble, and as they are staying out because they can't have everything their own way, they better remain out.

We have a few of the backbiters, as the September number calls them. I hope by next month we will have a press secretary.

S. W. M.

Local Union No. 29.

Trenton, October 1, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Another month has gone by and we are on earth.

We were glad to see in the Worker that the charter has been revoked of those negroes. I think it would be a good thing to make the organizer or the one who asks for a charter state for white or black and in that way we won't get any negroes in the brotherhood.

Brothers, it is getting cooler now; come up to our meetings. We had a good meeting last week, but we want some of you to come up. There are some who stay away because they think two or three are trying to run the local. Brothers, if you would come and attend the meetings you would have a chance to get an office and then you could run it as you think others are doing it.

We had a couple of brothers from New Orleans visit us last Tuesday evening. I forget their names; they are working for the Penn. R. R.

Hoping to write more next time, I remain, fraternally yours,

SPLINTER.

Local Union No. 30.

Cincinnati, Oct. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Mr. Editor, our Jack (?) has been so busy with all opening and such other openings

that he has an open circuit somewhere, and it must be at his station, as he has not made a move to light up the country with the progressive news that our local has to tell.

One fact alone is worth telling, that the membership has nearly doubled in four months, and at each meeting the average new members number five. We are indeed very sorry Bro. Jack has been so busy, but you know (pardon us) he knows that he is a lady's man and, would you believe it, he sings (?). He had not reported for duty in so long a time that we were about to send out a committee, when we were informed that he was taking lessons in music (vocal), and we, being very nervous and not in a position to take chances on being stricken in the bloom of youth, forgave him and earnestly hope he will see his mistake before he peddles fish. There is always some excuse for a man doing foolish things, and being satisfied that Jack was not himself, and being afraid something would be doing soon, we put on ground wires and located the trouble. Yea, come-a-long, 'twas love, and after offering up a prayer (as the committee had nothing left after the awful news), we went home. Let us hope that handsome Jack will see his danger and report next month.

Our Worthy Grand President Wheeler came in very unexpectedly last meeting night, but caught us in order and, as usual, very busy. We were very glad to have him with us and so sorry we were not prepared to give him the welcome he so richly deserves. We will at all times be glad to have him with us, and I am sure would sit all night and listen to his lectures, in which he has no equal. Hail to the chief!

Now, to keep the "Ha, ha!" away from us, we want to say that we never made an attempt before to write for our Worker, and of course it would be a great favor to excuse mistakes, as we have taken the liberty of writing on our own hook.

Success to every brother.

JOHN P. WRIGHT,
ED. HANDLON.

Cincinnati, O., Oct. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I will make an effort to write a few lines to the Worker this month, although I am not press secretary, nor do I want to be, either, unless there was a big salary attached to it. We have quite a hard time of it here electing officers to fill the chairs. All the brothers shirk these duties, even the financial secretary's chair, unless they get a salary they know the local cannot stand.

We have a press secretary, Bro. Raymond, but I have failed to see a letter from him in the Worker yet. I would like to hear from Bro. Raymond, through the Worker, why he has failed to do such a small duty as to write just a few lines

once a month, and I am not the only one either.

We have had several good brothers leave us recently. Bro. J. P. Williams got a tickle for Buffalo last week. He was our treasurer. Good luck to you, Jimmie, you are all O. K. We did happen to elect a successor to him, Bro. J. P. Wright, at the same price. Thanks for your ever faithful service.

I would like to see the brothers of this local put their shoulders to the wheel and see how far we could shove old No. 30. We have the talent, we have the good workers, but I am sorry to say we have some very bad workers. They come to lodge and the very first thing they do is to hit the floor and move that we adjourn, and they find a seconder very quickly. Now, brothers, that is no way to do. Bring in a petition with you and stop your jawing. Stay until lodge is over like a man.

Well, we had the good fortune to have grand president with us at our last meeting. He gave us a talk that we will never forget, and if we practice what he preached I think we would have a local here that would be second to none. We would like to have caged him for a week or two, for I know he would have done us a lot of good, for we have several circuits of lights here that need trimming and I believe he could have done it for us in short order.

We are still doing some work every time we meet. At our last meeting I think there were eight or nine applications came in and we initiated seven. That is not so bad, but we could do better if only half the brothers would try.

We meet first and third Wednesdays at Jackson Hall, corner Jackson and 12th streets. The latch string is always on the outside for a visiting brother. If any of you should drift this way you will be more than welcome at our hall. Work is very fair here, but wages are on the hog. All the way from \$1.50 to \$2.25 for the best splicers. Well, I will switch off and take a nap as it is 3:45 a. m.

A Faithful Member.

Local Union No. 31.

Duluth, Oct. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

"Hello, central! connect me with Local 31. 'Hello, Local 31! What is the matter with you any way? You did not appear in the Worker last month.'" "Well," says Local 31, "I think our press secretary is a very lazy fellow." Now this may be all true, but I don't think it is quite so bad. The actual cause of us not appearing in the Worker is that I am always behind time. Again I have missed getting my letter in print.

Well, anyway, Local No. 31 is doing well. Each and every member is working, but if there were more members some of us would certainly be out of employment.

Last meeting another new light was connected into our circuit. We may soon have to install a new dynamo to furnish current for this vast circuit. The new man is a dynamo tender of eight years experience, a very good member indeed, and we are proud to have him in our local.

We have arranged for the grand fifth annual ball to be given at the Armory the 18th of this month; preparations for same were begun last month. There are to be brilliant electrical effects, something which Duluth has never witnessed before. With the wise heads of some of our brothers we are bound to make a success of it.

Labor Day was a grand day for Duluth, which had another chance to show its strength as a union town. After the Bakers' union, Local No. 31 was considered best in line and had there been such a thing as second prize we would certainly have carried it off. Each member was dressed in a neat working suit, consisting of blue coat, black shirt and cap, and a white tie.

Efforts to start a local in Superior have thus far failed, but we shall not give up but try again and I do believe we will be successful this time.

A. RICHTER,
Press Sec

Local Union No. 34.

Peoria, Ill., Oct. 2, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As our P. S. has been out of town for some time, I will scribble a few lines for the Worker and to let the boys know that 34 is not quite dead yet. We will have a corn carnival and exposition here from the 3d to the 13th, which has made work lively for the inside wiremen, but as none of them are union men it does not benefit us any. We have done everything in our power to get them to organize, but it seems to do no good. Last week Swift & Co. sent some inside wiremen down from Chicago to wire their new storehouse here and as they were non-union men the carpenters refused to work with them and walked out, the result being that the company sent the men back to Chicago and sent down union men. They put up the kick that there were no union men in Peoria, but they were told that there was a union here for them to get into and we extended our thanks to them for their support. A few cases of that kind would get them started.

Bro. James Conger, who was hurt here last spring, is back at work again after being laid up four months. He had his left wrist and thigh broken through a 25-foot lamp-pole breaking with him.

Work is not very plenty here as all the companies are kicking about the high price of materials and are doing as little work as possible.

As this is my first attempt, I will open the switch.

C. S. KETTENRING.

Local Union No. 35.

Massillon, O., Oct. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I will now try and write a few lines to your paper to let the brothers know how Local 35, I. B. E. W. is progressing. We have had a few more applications since you heard from us last time and we expect more in the near future. I would like to say a few words about our smoker, which we held Thursday evening, Sept. 27th, and I must say the electrical workers have made a hit in this town: we had in attendance representatives from all the labor organizations in Massillon and the president and organizer of the T. R. A. of Massillon, with the mayor and a few of the city officials.

The electrical workers were highly congratulated by the members of the different organizations for showing them a social way for bringing the different organizations together, as they admitted a smoker was something new to them. I will enclose you a clipping from one of our daily papers and will you kindly publish the same.

The members of No 35 are thinking of giving a ball and grand electrical display in the near future, as we are told that it will be a grand success.

Work here for the new telephone company has been going along nicely and we are drawing near the end as the job will be finished in a short time now. The president of 35 would like to hear from Wm. Graham of Local No. 20, and he might drop a line to the press secretary also.

I would like to say a word for the benefit of visiting brothers that we have changed our meeting night and we meet every Friday evening in the Junior Order of Mechanics Hall, East Main street.

Bro. Durkin is still with us and he expects to finish the cable work this week and then return to Cleveland, and the boys of Local 35 will be sorry to see him go as he was well liked by all. I will thank you if you will give this letter space in your valuable paper.

Yours fraternally,
H. J. SUTHERLAND,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 36.

Sacramento, Cal., Oct. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Brothers, it is with sorrow that I must state the charter of No. 36 is draped in mourning and our vice-president's chair is vacant. Our noble champion, E. O. Strong, met his death by "carelessness of parties unknown to the jury," by coming in contact with a live wire. That was the verdict at the inquest, the jury recommending that an inspector be appointed by the city. It is time that an inspector was appointed here. None of you have ever seen worse lines than some that are used in this city; any old thing goes. The line

that Bro. Strong met his death from was a fire-alarm peanut line that ran from one housetop to another and I guess on every company's poles in the city. It was wrapped around the Yuha Co.'s 2,000 alternating for one whole span. He got it between the peanut and its return grounded.

We have before the trustees of this city a request endorsed by the Federated Trades, which is very strong, asking that the office of city electrical inspector be created. We are sure to win from the outlook at the present writing, as the unions of this city are in politics in this way—that we remember our friends, and any politician who chooses to antagonize us is placed on the file at the Federated Trades. That is where they barrel them. We know of some whose political career is at an end, but we did not anticipate much of a struggle in this case as it is everybody's fight. It will benefit the companies as well as the workmen or private individuals. There is no company but what wants good work done, as otherwise it is a source of trouble to them. Most of the poor work done on outside construction is caused by the men themselves either being incompetent or careless, and on inside work it is caused by competition, which means that the firms doing such work get the cheapest labor, material, and rush the work.

By way of correction to my last letter I will state that where the word scab appears it should be unfair, and that the word Wisconsin should be unionism. As for me, I have nothing personal against any man employed by the Sunset Co., but they are certainly treating No. 36 unfair; if they are not satisfied with the way we do business or with the officers, let them join. We are always ready to give them the glad hand. Then they will find their vote is equal to ours. As for two men there who claim to be members in the East, we know nothing of; we have never seen their cards, and nothing counts with us but a paid-up card and complying with Article 14, Section 7, of our constitution. Hoping that this is satisfactory to all concerned.

Yours fraternally,
JOSEPH J. SCOTT,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 38.

Cleveland, O., Oct. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

We are having a week of prosperity. At the present time everybody is working all kinds of hours. The merchants of our city have let loose a little money and are to celebrate what they call "Home Week," and they certainly put all their loose change up for a grand electric display, which reaches from Water and Superior Sts. to Erie St., up Ontario and Prospect Sts. About one hundred large columns standing 25 feet high have been erected, and they are decorated with wreaths of

green leaves and vines, and four arc lamps are suspended from each one of these massive columns, while thousands of incandescent lights strung across the streets. The tall electric light mast on the Public Square will have hundreds of colored incandescent lights are wrapped around it, reaching to the very top of the mast. Beside these large displays, the merchants will have individual electric set pieces in their stores. From all indications it will be a gala week for our city. Excursions will be run into the city the whole week. To-day, Sunday, it rained all day and partly spoilt some of the decorations, and our boys got wet to the skin, but, nevertheless, they all felt jolly and did not seem to care how much it rained. They all were looking for the long green and a great many of them will have money to burn a week from to-day.

The inside wiremen have been very lucky this summer. Most of their craft have worked pretty steadily, and work now is picking up some. Quite a number of our brothers of Local 39 got laid off at the Cuyahoga Telephone Co. the past week, but this "Home Week" work just come in handy, and a whole bunch worked with our boys, wiring sockets, etc.

Bro. Frank Estinghausen is Local 38's business agent, and he certainly had his hands full trying to keep peace in the family. Some rank scabs got to work in some manner but were secluded in a basement working by their lonely. But that game did not go with our watchful business agent. He demanded that they be put off the job, and go they did, and in the future a weather eye will be kept on that kind of fellows.

During the past month Local 38 has been prospering. Several brothers deposited their cards with us and about four or five are waiting to get initiated. One of our candidates had the misfortune to lose his wife, who died last week. The father has had all kinds of misfortune, and is now left with three small children to look after. Our president, with Bros. MacDonald and Estinghausen, acted as pall-bearers. An obituary notice will be found on another page of this Worker.

Bros. Wingate and Brooks have formed a partnership and now are known as "Wingate & Brooks, Electrical Contractors." These two brothers were formerly with the Electric Supply and Mfg. Co., and the first named brother is vice-president of Local 38. We all wish them every success in their new venture. A good union man can always get a place there if any men are wanted.

We noticed in last month's Worker that a certain somebody organized a local down South and that a charter had been granted to this new local, but later it was learned that this new local was composed of colored men. Well! Well! I want to say right

here, by all means revoke that charter or else there will be all kinds of trouble in our International Brotherhood. That's the sentiment of Local 38, and we hope to hear in this month's Worker that it already has been done.

At our last meeting Bro. Frank Estinghausen was elected financial secretary, vice Wm. Dixon, who soon expects to go to other climes. We regret that Bro. Dixon intends to leave us, as he has been a worthy officer of our local, and we will certainly miss him.

Another old scout, Bro. Hempsbill, told me the other day he was going to pull out of here and go East. If so, we will lose a good old standby. And here is wishing him all kinds of good luck. (Two Anna-hauser Busch, please.)

Think this will suffice this month. Regards to Bro. Al. Bunton, of Providence, New York and Buffalo.

Yours fraternally,

FRANK C. HEGENER,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 41.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As there has been a death in our family I have not had time to send my letter in earlier. I hope you will be able to enter this now in your valuable journal.

Local 41 of Buffalo, I am pleased to say, is a progressive organization. Each member or brother is learning more each day the true benefits of organized labor. By experience most of us have learned that unions are only most effectual where there are contracts in competition, so let the brothers everywhere be contented and only get congenially and substantially established with one another and the dear brothers who are struggling in darkness out of the union will come in.

We lost a good brother by death, Mr. Chester Thompson. As far as I know, all other brothers are well.

As to work, the Pan-American is the principal job. All other work is progressing smoothly. There is no rush. There is no call for men out of our jurisdiction. Our initiation is \$15, and \$10 to admit a traveling card, and it is necessary to examine every person entering Local 41.

We are responsible for our flock.

IVAN T. HENRY,

Press Sec.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Since our last letter to the Worker No. 41 has certainly done some hustling in adding new lights and the affairs of the local are progressing very nicely. We have received an increase of fifty cents per day as per agreement without any trouble. We have our worthy president, Bro. O'Connell, in the field as business agent, who is con-

ducting our business with despatch and satisfaction. Some credit must be given Bro. E. Fowler's gray mare, on whom our business agent does all his hustling. A peculiar feature of this mare is her tail. It seems a portion of the Galveston storm struck Bro. Erb's mare's tail and stiffened it, and our business agent and Bro. Fowler are using heroic measures and a galvanic battery to place it in its proper position.

Bro. Brown has taken unto him a sweet little wife, as he calls her, and here's hoping she will remain so to him for evermore.

Bro. Barth was elected our financial secretary to succeed Bro. Scott, our old war horse, who used to tell the boys where they were at, and never forgot his obligation to his union, attended all meetings, and set an example for each brother to follow and one to be proud of.

It is brisk at present, but not rushing, and all brothers wishing work at the Pan-American will please leave name with our G. S. and they will be notified in due time. Now a good many traveling brothers have an idea they can come to the woods, as they call Buffalo, with the intention of walking in our lodge room or parlor and call themselves full-fledged members of 41. Let me impress upon them that we have an examining board, also an examining fee of \$10.00, to be paid on each examination, and would suggest to brothers coming this way to have good, paid-up cards if they wish to work in Buffalo, as Buffalo is union to the core.

One of our brightest members, J. Chester Thompson, departed from this life on Sept. 24, 1900. Although only a member for a few months, he was esteemed and respected by all. He left us with our deepest regrets and heartfelt sympathy for his family. Resolutions were adopted which appear under proper heading.

Fraternally

L. WIPPENANN,

Rec. Sec.

Local Union No. 43.

Syracuse, N. Y., Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

You will please note that through the absence of Geo. Gersbochee, vice-pres., and James McJury, treasurer, their offices were declared vacant and John O'Donald was elected vice-pres. and Anthony Richardson, treasurer.

Jack Lewis dropped into town last week after an absence of six months or so, said howdy to the boys and wanted to know if any of us were out of work, as he is doing business on his own hook and wanted a man to help him out up at Oswego, but all members of No. 43 are full of currants, as Willie Silverman puts it, and Jack did not find his man. I understand though later on he secured John Thompson, who is to be a member of No. 43. Jack didn't have time to tell the boys about the fish he and

his father-in-law caught when they used to ride the angry waves of Lake Ontario.

Local No. 43 sent to their needy brothers of No. 124 at Galveston \$10. Get in line other locals, and do likewise.

At our last meeting we managed to have a bakers' dozen. Come, come, boys, wake up and get interested. Don't leave it all for two or three to do. Everybody working, everybody happy.

Faternally yours,
"BILL NYE."

P. S. "Old Crip" sent a bundle of his latest books, twenty-five cents each. Every brother should purchase one of these and give a helping-hand to him.

Local Union No. 44.

Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, brothers, my last letter was sent too late to be published and this time I will try to be a little more prompt with it, as I received a gentle call down by the Editor.

Local 44 is still in line, but after a storm there is always a calm, and we have certainly had a storm. We lost the Bell Telephone strike as far as a settlement goes and you can bet the company lost dollars to our cents. Thirty-two men went on strike and, at the present time not one of them is idle. The Central Trades and Labor Council has taken it in hand and the result is in a short time if the boycott is not lifted Rochester will be only a station for long distance work for the Home Telephone Co. has got them on the run and is employing first-class help and paying the standard rate of wages.

At our last regular meeting we appointed a committee of five to act in conjunction with Local 86, to make arrangements for our annual ball, Thanksgiving Eve, at Fitzhugh Hall, the largest hall in the city. Following is the committee from Local 44: J. D. McGuire, Martin Warner, Andrew Murdock, Thomas Lawless, J. B. Haley. We are expecting to make a few extra dollars, for the committee are business men and always work hard in the interest of the local.

A few of our brothers who went on strike have left town and when you meet a brother from this city just give him a lift if you can, for they put up a hard, earnest fight, against a company with a capital of \$3,000,000. They fought three months and then did not lose by capital, but by a lot of scabs, whose chief aim in life is to down their fellowman. A scab should be treated the same as they treated the negroes at Galveston, a sharp report of a gun and then fed to the hogs.

Rochester is the third on the list of large cities in New York state as a union town. The Bureau of Labor shows many interesting figures about the working people. Rochester has 6,814 credited and in a short

time will be hundreds more as the C. T. & L. C. is organizing the following trades: Retail clerks, team drivers, coachmen and coach helpers, cooks and domestic girls, and last but not least the milkmen, so when you come to Rochester bring a card or take a trip around the town.

The tobacco trust is struggling hard here to down the Blue-Label tobacco, but the union boys have got their goods on the shelf and if they want it taken down they will have to chew and smoke it themselves, as union label is the demand here.

One of our city fathers here took a great stand here before the common council in favor of the laboring man very recently. The employees of the N. Y. C. R. R. freight house asked for \$1.50 per day instead of \$1.35, and were told the company could not afford to pay it, and now the Central R. R. has asked the city to make them a present of a strip of land in the center of the city and the honorable board of aldermen is willing to give it to them excepting Hon. M. J. Calahan and he is fighting them to a stand still. They could not raise the taxpayers' wages in this city to a living scale, but taxpayers can give them land and the workmen eat liver and salt pork in order to pay for it, and only one man representing the taxpayers dare deny them.

Well, I will have to ring off pretty soon or I will get another call down by the Editor.

Hello, Calamity, where are you going, and why do you not write a letter to the boys through the Worker? We miss you, and your expression. If you cast a glance at this letter, write to us, as you have not an enemy in Rochester.

W. J. CLARK,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 45.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The time having arrived again to write to the Worker, I will try and let you know how things have been going in Buffalo this last month. Well, in the first place, the strike against the Bell Telephone Co. is still on, and, as far as I can see, with no prospects of a settlement, so we ask our brothers to keep away from Buffalo. Pretty nearly all the boys are working just now, so they are not worrying much over the situation. The Western Union started a gang stringing a couple of copper wires over the D., L. & W. P. R. to Binghamton, but we can't hear of any other company doing anything out of the ordinary. Local 45 is doing all right and will soon be in good shape again, and we can depend on those now in the local. Most of them have been tried and not found wanting.

Mr. Editor, enclosed please find list of those who are now scabbing for the Bell Telephone Co. Those with marks in front of their names were member of the brother-

hood. In my next will have a more complete list, also some pictures of those who we think may be working here under assumed names. Of course, you will understand that nine out of every ten of those who scabbed it on us and are down as having belonged to 45, are men and boys who we took in just before the strike, and with the exception of four or five are students and so-called instrument men, so you will know that the climbers all quit almost to a man.

Faternally yours,
F. M. DEVLIN,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 48.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 3, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Last month we were too late getting our letter ready, but hope this may reach you in time for the paper.

Since you last heard from 48, we have taken in some new members and are getting on slowly but surely.

We did not turn out in a body Labor Day, but we had a representative—one man. He rode a fine horse and carried a large banner.

Last month Bro. Fry had a very bad accident; he fell from a cable box platform while working for Richmond Tel. Co. I am sorry to say another of our brothers had to quit the Passenger and Power Co. because the niggers get all the show. They are left in charge and given all verbal orders, not only in the light department, but also in the trolley wire department where they have a negro for assistant foreman. We haven't found out yet whether these two foremen really love the nigger, or are afraid a white man might get their places, but what surprises us is that the officials of this company tolerate such a thing, as they are our own people, that is Richmond people.

Well this is about all we know this time, but in closing we will suggest that all electric light linemen pass Richmond by unless they wish to work under a negro.

Yours truly,
JOE WEBBER.

Local Union No. 49.

Chicago, Oct. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Local No. 49 is still in the grand Order of I. B. E. W. and is taking a lively part in the labor matters of Chicago. The month of August was our third anniversary of our existence as a local of the I. B. E. W., and three years of hard struggling it was, but now the struggling part has all gone by, and it looks, as the fourth year approaches, that we are going to branch out and make Local 49 one of the top notchers of the Brotherhood. Our membership is increasing and our meetings are well attended. We have 60 some odd, on the membership roll; all but three are in

good standing, which is something for the officers and members to be proud of, and this year we must reap our glory and success. We have good officers, willing members, and men who are prompt in payment of dues. And do you know, brothers, how we are to reap our glory and have success? Well, here it is. Each and every one of us go to the next meeting, go to the secretary, and get an application blank, take it with us and return to the following meeting with an applicant's name on it, and you will be surprised at the success of our local.

Am sorry to state Bro. M. Sullivan, while at work for the Commonwealth, received a shock and was seriously injured.

Hello, 78, why don't you elect a scribbler and let the world hear from you? Also 59. Wake up, fill up the paper; it don't cost you anything. You can probably get a volunteer to act as press secretary.

Wishing success to all, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

F. J. STUBBE.

Local Union No. 52.

Newark, N. J., Oct. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Just a few lines to let our brothers all over the country know that Local No. 52 is still in full bloom and bringing forth new buds every meeting night which promise to bloom and waft their perfume all over the electrical fraternity in the Western Hemisphere. The linemen in our local receive New York pay, which is \$3.50 per day, eight hours work, when working for a New York contractor in Newark, and \$3.00 per day when working for a Newark contractor.

We ran off a smoker the week before last which proved to be a great success. Our members showed a great interest in the labor movement by turning out almost to a man in the Labor Day parade which was held here in Newark. After the parade, we were addressed by the mayor of the city, who participated in the procession, wearing a badge of the typographical union, of which he is a member.

Things are looking pretty bright in Newark and our membership is very close to 400, which must be attributed to the hustling abilities of our ex-president and present delegate, Bro. McNulty. Wishing all the other unions success, I am,

Fraternally yours,

WM. ST. J. HARRINGTON,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 54.

Columbus, O., Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As you didn't receive my letter in time for publication last month, I will have it with a few good tidings to cut out the trouble. Our membership is steadily in-

creasing and the enthusiasm in the union is on the move upward.

We have made another scab look and feel just like a dog in the past two weeks. Of course a scab isn't as good as a dog. He is still in the employ of the Citizens', but we told the main stems just where we were on the map and the cur must never be seen on the construction work again. His name is Jas. Critchfield and we want his name in the back leaves of the Electrical Worker with the rest of them.

We have a goodly membership, can't just tell the number, but we are as strong as Dewey's fleet in Manila Bay.

Just look at the boys who are at the head of our local, Batsy Kneeland, and James Shea. Why, they are as strong union men as ever lived. Yes, stronger than a skunk, you can smell them two blocks away. Bro. James Shea was on the sick list for about seven weeks, but we are glad to see his smiling face once more on top of the poles flirting with the girls.

Bro. Fisher had a misfortune some three weeks ago. He was carrying two wires up a pole and in doing so they swung against a feed-wire and threw him in the air, falling 35 feet. He lit on his feet and both ankles are so badly mangled and bruised it is doubtful if he will ever be able to walk again. At our last meeting, No. 54 agreed to take every precaution in regard to this worthy brother's condition that he will never want for anything.

Bro. A. J. Frames has resigned his position as business agent, owing to slackness of work, but Al. you did your part for you are good natured and could take a cussing, all a business agent gets.

There isn't much doing here now, but both telegraph companies talk about doing some rebuilding in the future. I want to say to linemen who carry no cards, you had better get them before coming to the Capitol city for we are getting to be bad actors.

We had a fine meeting last Wednesday night, took in three new members and everyone seemed to be in the best of spirits. I would say if you were to have only one meeting a year there would be some brothers who couldn't come that often. Now you who chance to read this will know who I mean. Come out and see for yourself, and don't be inquiring how the meetings are.

Now, brothers, a little "Shapes Spoke" and I will ring off.

A poor old lineman stood on his pole,
With his feet all covered with blisters;
He tied his wire and dropped his pliers,
And the wind blew through his whiskers.

Yours fraternally,

A. T. W.,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 56.

Erie, Pa., Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is about the last chance in this month that I will have to send in my little word, but it is not such a little word this time, as we have lost one of our good brothers, Roy Smith, who got a shock and fell. He was working on a lead of alternate and day arc wires and got a shock in his left thigh, being thrown from the pole. He caught a wire and held it for a few seconds. He was about four feet out from the pole and the boys thought they could help him, but before anything could be done he lost his hold on the wire and dropped a few feet, striking his feet on other wires, which turned him over and let him strike with his face on the curb. He was picked up and taken to the hospital, but died in a short time after arriving there. His fall was about thirty feet. Brother Smith was to have been married in a short time. The brothers of No. 56 were all present at the funeral and marched to the cemetery, where each member dropped a white carnation on the casket after it was lowered into the grave. This is the first death in No. 56 of a member in good standing, and we hope it will be a long time before we have another one.

Bro. Thos. Murray went very near the limit a few days ago. He and Bro. Jesse Miller were on a pole doing some work. It was a fine day and everything was dry and they did not use their gloves, which they should have used. Bro. Murray had a wire partly cut with his pliers and put his connectors on to break the wire off. The wire was bare and the connectors not insulated. He took hold of a cross-arm brace which touched an anchor guy, which gave Bro. Murray a good ground with 2,250 volts of alternating current. They were working just outside the door of the plant, and Bro. Miller tried to pull or kick him loose, but could not for several seconds. He finally succeeded in kicking the connectors out of his hand. During this time a ground man had run into the station and had the dynamo man open the switch on all circuits, but Bro. Miller thinks he kicked the connectors out of his hand before the circuits were thrown open. Bro. Murray had his safety belt around the pole, which saved him from falling. He came down the pole and sat down for a few minutes and then went to work, but his hands are pretty sore. I would not like to take a chance on that wire and anchor guy that he was connected with. I think it would put most men out.

Some wire-fixers laugh at a man who uses a safety belt to untie a wire or some other light work on a pole, but in Bro. Murray's case it saved him from a fall, although he only needed the belt for safety. It is also believed by the brothers that if

Bro. Roy Smith had used his safety belt, which was hanging at his side, he would not have fallen when he got his shock, as it seemed as if the current did not hold him, but threw him away.

No. 56 is moving in good order, and there were two or three members who got in arrears and came up last meeting night to see how we had been feeding the goat, if the tie path had got any smoother, or if Bro. Generator was still alive. They can tell you all about it. One brother, who is a native of North America, was taken out of the vat and pronounced dead by Drs. P. Jacob, J. Donahue and our veterinary surgeon, Oscar Fuller, but he came to about 9:30 P. M., and said he thought he got off easy.

Well, I will let you off easy by stopping for a month. Yours, etc.,

L. E. C.

Local Union No. 57.

Salt Lake City, Oct. 1, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Was elected P. S. at our last regular election but, being a little bashful, failed to have anything in last time. When the boys got their papers and saw we were not represented, they all said "What's the matter with you, I see you didn't have anything in this time." So I resolved to get a piece in this issue if I blew a fuse and had everybody out of light.

All of the boys here are working and everything is moving along O. K. There is not any extra amount of work, but just enough.

C. W. Crager is with us again. Charlie is a good man and is welcome as all good men are.

The boys working for the Utah Light and Power Co. sent in a request to the directors asking for eight hours with same pay, \$3, instead of ten hours—time and one-half for overtime and double time for Sundays. We got nine hours straight, time for overtime and time and one-half for Sundays.

Would like to say something in regard to the extra amount of gall some people have. They come along perfect strangers (except that they are union men) and ask to be held up for a few days for a board bill and also some little cash. They work awhile, get a few dollars and leave very suddenly and forget to pay board and also the small amounts of cash borrowed. We have a few names on our list we will have to publish if this continues. If men expect to have credit and not kill the credit of good men they must pay their debts.

On the evening of Sept. 19th, James Burke, a lineman in the employ of the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Co., shot and instantly killed W. F. Harrison, his foreman, with a shot gun. As far as known there was no ill-feeling between the two. We understand Mr. Harrison

was a member of one of the K. C. locals and has a wife and two children residing there. James Burke was not a member of the I. B. E. W. but had declared his intention of coming into No. 57. Mr. Burke worked for some time for the Utah Light and Power Co. and always seemed to be a very quiet and good-natured man.

T. R. JOHNSON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 58.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Oct. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Another month has passed and it is again time for us to enlighten each other regarding the progress of the different locals throughout the country where the brotherhood has been instituted. Local 58 is progressing slowly but surely, adding a few lights and if we will only continue we will eventually have our city well and intellectually lighted, and also ranking among the strongest locals in the union. There are quite a few non-union men in this town, but I think by a little hustling we would not have a very hard time getting them to join. The local is pleased with the work of our linemen, for the benefit of the local, especially Bro. C. M. Robinson, whose name has been on one-half of the applications received by the locals. I think if the inside men would hold their own with the linemen, our membership would increase famously. Bros. Ashbough, Harrington and R. Robinson have accepted a position with the Roberts' Chemical Co. Some of the brothers went up to Buffalo to get a job on the Pan-Am. buildings, with a paid-up card, but if I have not been misinformed they told them they had to pay \$10 to local 41 before they could go to work. I do not know what kind of a deal you would call that, but if 41 would kindly give us a little light on the ten-spot we would be very much obliged.

The local is very sorry to lose our worthy vice-president, Bro. O. McEwney, who is going to Buffalo to work, and all of the brothers wish him the best of success. The Power Co. has started the transmission line from Tonawanda to the Falls for the Pan-Am.

We have no desire to occupy too much space in your valuable journal, as there are other locals to be heard from, but would kindly ask you to accord us sufficient to announce our entry on the right and only side. Thanking you in advance for any consideration you may give us, and with a heartfelt greeting to those whom we may now call brothers, I remain,

Yours sincerely,
ROY ROBINSON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 61.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 8, 1900.

Boys, we are in trouble, that is, we have

a strike on hand. We went out on the 3rd of October and we need your assistance. We ask you to keep all men away, to keep your eyes on the non-union men and head them in some other direction.

We have the Telephone and lighting companies practically tied-up; they are advertising for men in all the newspapers, but so far have not been able to hire anything but ground hogs. If we can hold out a reasonable time, we will win.

A good rain is what we want, helps make trouble. The insidemen's agreement was signed by the contractors. It went into effect October 1st. When there is an opening at inside work, some of the boys are put to work, and it is a great help to us.

We have 70 men out at present and have gained the sympathy of the public by keeping order and conducting ourselves in a gentlemanly manner, not indulging in loud talk nor holding curbstone meetings. When a man goes to work we talk him out of it. Of course there are a few scabs. We will take care of them later and they will be properly published.

Bro. F. M. Grant was knocked off a pole Sept. 27th by a 50-pair cable breaking. He fell about 25 feet and struck on his head and shoulders. His injuries are serious but he will recover.

We are on the lookout for that black sheep mentioned by Local 77 in the Sept. number.

Hello, Denver! how are Old Jack and the other brothers?

Stay with us brothers, a victory for one is a stepping stone to another. Best wishes for all.

Fraternally,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 62.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Youngstown, O., Sept. 9, 1900.

This local was organized Aug. 23, 1899, and is now one year old. We have never seen or heard from any of our grand officers. If they take any interest in us they might drop us a line even if they can't stop to see us.

We seem to get left out of the Worker quite often of late and I think will have to elect a new P. S.

Bro. William Parmer has moved his family to Columbus, O., where he will stretch wires hereafter.

Bro. J. W. Parmer and wife have returned from a week's vacation, having spent a few days at the Columbus fair. They report having a good time.

Fraternally,
BOB.

Local Union No. 66.

Houston, Tex., Oct. 1, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Since my last letter to the Worker, Local 66 has had the misfortune to lose a brother, Boyd Parker, who was killed at

his post Sept. 26th by a live wire. Local 66 has until this been very fortunate as this is the first member we have lost by death since our organization in 1893. As near as I can get at the facts, it happened in this way. Brother Parker was a trimmer for the Citizens Electric Light and Power Co. and was making his rounds to start any lamp that was not burning. He drove up to the corner of Capitol and Caroline streets and, finding the lamp out, let it down, lighted it and then proceeded to hoist it to its proper place. He was turning the reel when his foot slipped into the gutter. As soon as he felt himself slipping he threw up one of his hands to catch something, to keep from falling. He grabbed the lifting cable of the lamp and received a shock from which he died almost instantly. The lifting cable of the lamp was crossed with a 3500-volt incandescent circuit and when his hand came in contact with the live wire he was thrown into the ditch, where he lay until some person who had witnessed the accident rushed to his assistance. Although he groaned several times, he did not speak after receiving the shock but entered into that everlasting sleep to await the coming of the Supreme Judge, where all shall be judged according to their works.

Bro. Parker was about 26 years old and leaves a wife and little babe to mourn his untimely death. Local 66 attended the funeral in a body and every member who could possibly do so left his work and followed all that remained mortal of Bro. Parker to his last resting place in Greenwood cemetery. The following were pallbearers: Bros. Schindell, Mitchell, Collie, Rusha, Graham and Jackson.

There is another death it grieves us to make mention of, that of the wife of Bro. Dave Zwieg, who was sick but a few days and died Sept. 25th. She was a sweet Christian woman and loved by all who knew her, an affectionate wife and a loving and dutiful mother. She always carried sunshine wherever she went and many were the homes made bright by her. To the sick and afflicted she was an angel of love and peace. There are many who will miss her. The husband and family have the deepest sympathy of all the members of Local 66. The following, all members of 66, were the pallbearers: Bros. Britigan, Peters, George, Herring, Winfield and Irvin. Interment in Hollywood cemetery.

Well, I suppose most everyone has read of the damage of the storm which visited this section Sept. 8th. While we suffered greatly thereby, it could not be compared to the suffering in our sister city, Galveston. It was one of the worst storms in the history of the country. I do not remember of one that could compare with it. I suppose the wire-using companies suffered more loss than any others here, the

Southwestern Tel. & Tel. Co. being the heaviest losers of the four companies here, as there were several leads of wires and cables blown to the ground. The Rusk ave. lead was a total wreck; The Crawford street lead next; it being almost a total wreck. The Electric Light Co. suffered very heavily and the city was in darkness for several nights. However, all companies put large gangs to work at once and now you could scarcely tell that a storm ever raged here. The Citizens' Tel. Co. also suffered heavy loss, as did the Street Railway Co. Cars did not run for three or four days. The churches were the next heaviest losers; many were blown to the ground and few had their spires left standing. The colored churches suffered most, as they were small and less substantial, and there are few left.

Well, in the face of all this and as a marked contrast, Local 66 held a meeting Sept. 17 and a schedule of wages and hours was formulated for linemen, a committee being appointed to place it before the different companies the next morning and to give them until 7 p. m. the same day to accede to our demands. They yielded at once, unconditionally, with the exception of the Street Car Co., the manager of which was out of the city, and at a special meeting held Sept. 18th to receive the report of the committee, they were given until the return of the manager to decide. Upon his return the committee again visited them, and the manager refused point blank to "come through," whereupon the committee called all linemen off the job and now there is a big strike on. This does not affect many men, but we are going to fight as hard as if there were two or three hundred involved.

The company we expected to have the most trouble with was the first to accede to our demands, the Southwestern Tel. & Tel. Co. We looked for a hard fight there but for once were all surprised. The scale was for \$3.00 per day; eight hours to constitute a day's work. We did not forget our sisters either.

The companies here have been starting an operator in at \$12.50 per month after she had learned the switchboard and worked about ten hours per day. We have them starting at \$20 per month and only working eight hours per day now. The Telephone Companies used to raise the operators' salary whenever they saw fit. Now they must raise them when they are employed three months to \$25, and after six months to \$30. Toll line operators start at \$20 and are raised as high as \$35 within one year, chief operators to receive \$45 per month.

It is useless for me to say that Local 66 is a strong union now for anyone reading our demands will readily see that nothing short of a strong union could make such demands and have them acceded to.

Well, this is a pretty long letter, but I could not very well tell what I had to tell in a shorter one, so if the Editor will try to find space for this I will try to cut it a little shorter next time.

GEO. D. CROSSLEY;
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 69.

Dallas, Texas, Oct. 1, 1930.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As 69 has not had anything in the Worker for some time, I will try to let the boys know that we still live and do business at the old stand.

We had a hot time here about six weeks ago. The street car boys were out on strike and 69 called a special meeting to see if we would go out in sympathy. The meeting was to be called to order at 9 o'clock Sunday morning. About 8 they began to arrive. The first to come was Billy Stayaway. Jonny comes once in a while, George comes once a month, Charlie came to pay his dues and Frank to get his card. Well, in fact, the whole Stayaway family was there before 9 o'clock and then the regulars came in at the regular time, as those who are always ready to do their part always do. Well, if ever you heard speech-making and good companies to work for given the best of it, there is where it was. If there is a general manager, superintendent or official of a telephone or electric company anywhere on earth that will go to heaven, those in Dallas will be the big angels when we all go up to our last home. Christ and his disciples did not know the first principles of being good to their fellowmen as these officials do. If we had gone out on strike against our big-hearted employers, we never would have been forgiven as long as the world stands, according to the Stayaways' way of thinking. Well, after we had it talked over and one poor fellow who scabbed it once before on the street car boys raked over the coals, we took a secret ballot, "Will we go out?" There were thirty voters present and the "Nos" took the lead for about 6, then the "Yes" began to come. We got even 14 to 14 and I think there were 16 boys had to have double the amount of laundry that week, if there is anything in the expression of a man's face when he is scared. It stood 16 No and 14 Yes, and in five minutes I saw an official of the street car company looking more pleased than he had since the sympathetic strike had been under discussion. He had heard the news.

In the September number I saw a letter about an A. F. of L. organizer instituting a local of colored boys. They seem to think the organizer was paid too much for organizing them. Now, I never organized a gang of negroes in my life, but if a gang of nigger fixers are as hard to get together as a gang of white wire fixers are he earned

\$45. I would like to know if the good brother ever went out to get a lot of unorganized people to organize and how easy it was to do it. I have had a little experience along that line myself, and if ever an organizer was over-paid I want to see his photo. I don't know of an organization that pays 50 per cent. of what it costs to do the work. If he was only allowed laborer's wages for the time he put in (without it is where some one else has done the work, and then the organizer comes along, obligates and collects for all of the work). (?) I have organized 69 twice, and if I was doing it for what pay there is in the work I would rather have a job in the ditch. I never got a cent for what I did and did not ask for it, as I was working for the interest of the I. B. E. W.

About the other part of the letter I have nothing to say; I never worked on a pole with a nigger and do not think I ever will, but if some good brother had gone to Jacksonville and organized the white boys there it would have been easy to keep the niggers out. Now is a good time for the brothers in that neck of the woods to take warning and get the right ones under the banner. Texas has got a State F. of L. and the wire fixers will have a convention in Waco this week and effect a state organization which will be a good thing for us, as we can work much better together in that way. No. 69 sent \$25, and the boys over at the D. E. Co. \$21, to our Galveston brothers, and 69 sent 25 cents per capita to the Labor Council to go into the general fund for all union labor. There will be more sent this week by the other boys working for the other companies.

It is only a short time now before workmen will go to the poles and register whether they want things to go on as they have been going or whether they will vote for their friends and themselves. We all know it will go against our interests, but we still have the satisfaction of knowing that every day there are more coming into the Socialist ranks, and it will not be long before we will be the whole thing. Well, I have my doubts about this getting into print, but I will not be ashamed of my name and I think every writer should sign his full name after every article he writes. If it is good, let people know who you are; if it is not, do not be ashamed of the best you could do. Fraternally yours,

W. B. COURTNEY.

Local Union No. 72.

Waco, Tex., Oct. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I did not contribute a few words for No. 72 last month, I guess I had better "come across" this time as some of the boys say the "strong arm committee" will wait on me.

Business in our line is very quiet now.

Some of the boys are idle and there is nothing very promising this winter.

No. 72 is growing steadily, taking in new lights every meeting and ere long she will have a membership of which she will be very proud. Everybody in 72 is in the highest spirits as last night we took in about 15. There is a revival on in our ranks and we are all in our "shirt sleeves" working like beavers and we are having a warm time.

No. 72 was more than proud of having the honor of entertaining the first state convention of the electrical workers of the Lone Star State and regrets very much that we could do no better. Many thanks to the visiting delegates for their valuable assistance on the night of the second inst.; your efforts were crowned with success as we got everything in sight that night and will continue to do so.

I am going to boost up some of the F. Ss., but will not be personal. It is very important to answer communications as soon as possible and especially those requesting information in regard to applicants for membership. A delayed answer often proves fatal to an applicant of some of the weaker locals, as well as embarrassing to both applicant and local. So brothers, all this can be done away with by a prompt reply to letters asking for such information. We experienced a case of this nature lately and would recommend the above remedy.

I cannot understand why some people object to paying good wages to electrical workers when they are in constant danger of being killed by that death force or power which they are compelled to handle. An electrical worker at all times not only takes his own life in his hands but the life of every other electrical worker who is working with him. Electrical workers are killed every day almost, and in a great many cases the boss says he was careless or he was drunk. I want to inform such bosses that they don't know what they are talking about, for every electrical worker realizes his most dangerous position and tries to protect himself. If any boss will stop and consider what his linemen and trouble men are exposed to I don't think he could say from the bottom of his heart a lineman is not worth any more money than any other class of labor. I contend that the largest wages paid in the country are very small if a lineman's life is worth even as much as that of a cur dog.

Well, I see the strong arm committee coming, so I will pull the switch.

Fraternally,

C. F. M.,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 75.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Sept. 23, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Are we in it? Well, I should say about \$25 worth, thirty new members and a jolly

good time this month. Had a phrade that made them all sick and took the first prize; had a climbing contest that was a grand success and a good drawing card. Will send pictures of parade next time; had hard luck with them, but are all right now.

We got thirty new members from Kal-amazoo, making nearly all of them, I think, and the union, that is Local 75, wishes to thank Tom Barrett from the bottom of its heart. That's right, Tom; look for more.

Work is fair, not much doing. Local had an election; the finish is as follows:

Pres.—I. S. Hick.
V.-Pres.—H. Denneau.
Rec. Sec.—J. W. Maskell.
Fin. Sec.—J. Post.
Treas.—F. A. Grinnell.
Foreman—Sippy.
Insp.—Punderson.

Labor-Day contests resulted as follows:

Pole climbing of a 45-footer with arm on top—Wilcox, 16 sec.; Kiser, 16 sec.; Maskell, Jas., 17 sec.; Brown, 19 sec.; Cole, Frank, 19 sec.; Gaetley, 20 sec.; Dixon, 20 sec.; Morgan, 21 sec.; Kessler, Joe, 25 sec.

Champion straight away hand-line throw—Bob White, 93 feet; Dixon, 92 feet; Maskell, 90 feet.

Champion throw over a 50-ft. lead—S. A. Jones, 1 foot of line on ground; Jas. Maskell, 48 feet on ground; Dixon, 25 feet; Bob White, 20 feet.

Well, to let outsiders know what we had Labor Day to represent the wire-arrangers, we had a small electric plant on wheels, also a small exchange where they hired nothing but union men and everything was lovely, and the local turned out grand—in a way that made us all feel proud and lovely.

I will close now. Will write more next time. From TRUSTY ARCHIE,
Rec. Sec.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Oct. 7, 1900.
Editor Electrical Worker:

On account of neglect last month, I missed getting my first letter into the paper, but hereafter will be more prompt.

Work in this country isn't anything to speak of at present; the members of 75 are practically asleep in this town.

Those books of "Old Crip's" are going like hot cakes.

Tom Barrett is to-day the best union man in this country, and 75 thanks him from the bottom of its heart; he only got us thirty-eight new ones.

Well, I will close for now, at least. From "ARTCHIE,"
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 83.

Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I am somewhat late this time, but hope the brothers will excuse me if my letter

does not travel fast enough. I have been on the sick list myself and haven't been feeling like writing very much, but 83 is doing nicely now; we are taking in new members nearly every meeting night. The Telephone Company is somewhat slack, but I believe all of the brothers have work, some for the Light and some for the Street Car Co. We are delighted to have Bro. Beck in our midst again. I guess I had better square myself and McCarty. I said the treasurer skipped with our per capita tax, but I made mistake in the office; it was the financial secretary, Ben Emerson. I will give the names of the officers as they are.

As I am not feeling the best in the world I will close the circuit.

Fraternally,

S. L. DIXON.

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 84.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 10, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I throw the switch again and turn on the circuit of No. 84 with greetings to all. No. 84 is in the midst of a shower of happiness over the fact that the charter has been revoked that was granted to the coons of Jacksonville, Fla. We now wish to thank the E. B. from the depths of our hearts for the steps they took in this matter.

No. 84 is still moving along smoothly though we have so many brothers out of the city at present that we do not have the usual attendance. We have adopted something that I fear will kill the interest of the local to some extent. They have decided to meet twice a month instead of every week. My experience in other organizations that I belong to has been that when you change your meeting nights there will be a lot of brothers who will lose interest. I hope this will not be the case with No. 84. We are still adding new lights to our circuit.

Bro. Skaats has returned from a trip to the White City, Chicago, and is now working with Cap. Owen's in Birmingham, Ala. Work seems to be picking up again. I know of no idle linemen at the present time. There seems to be a demand for inside wiremen and the Georgia Electric Light Co. want linemen. I understand that they are wanting men in Birmingham, Ala.

Hello, all you floaters! Let me hear from you and tell me all that is happening around you. With best wishes to all brothers, and the I. B. E. W., I throw the switch.

Fraternally yours,

W. R. JOHNSON,

Rec. Sec.

Local Union No. 86.

Rochester, N. Y.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Say, brother electric lightmen, this town has furnished a curiosity and one that we

are well proud of. A public servant has actually, in the face of the opposition of all or nearly all of his associates, had the nerve to stand up for the right against what he and the greater part of the public consider a wrong. A railroad company had the crust to request the city to practically give them the sidewalk on a certain street that runs for several blocks along a retaining wall that bounds their property. This wall had for several years shown signs of weakening and the corporation wished to strengthen it by applying to its surface a coating of cement varying from nine to twenty-two inches, thus practically absorbing the walk on that side of the street. Out of an aldermanic board of twenty members, but one had the courage to object, but was afterwards backed by another. These two are now fighting a losing fight against eighteen other men who should have at least put forward some objections.

Now I do not believe in fighting corporations and trusts just because they are such, but I do believe in fighting against any such fierce grab as this proposes to be. If corporations would be honest and just in their dealings with their fellows and the public, I do not believe that this mighty shout that is now going the rounds would be heard at all. Corporations, if they would, could be the means of helping the masses to a certain extent. With their great capital and capacity for cheaper production, they would, if satisfied with a reasonable return on the investment, be able to reduce greatly the price on nearly all necessities. But the inordinate greed that seems to fill the human soul from the highest to the lowest, does not leave them out and they are never satisfied until they are getting all that human nature will stand, from both ends—at one end by cutting wages to a bare living and at the other by raising the price on the finished product until one can stand no more.

Now the socialists' view of this would possibly be government ownership. I do not think they are right. It is the competition between one and another that makes things as one sees them to-day. It is the competing of one railroad with another for traffic that makes the fast time and the comfort of traveling as we see it in this country. Germany owns her own railroads and what do we see. The poorest equipment the slowest time, the most insulting employees as well as the greatest number of the same that the public funds will stand. These roads have never paid expenses and the deficit comes from the pockets of the taxpayers.

Take in France, where tobacco manufacturing is a government monopoly. One cannot get a decent cigar for less than twice what it is worth, and smoking and chewing tobacco is as vile as it can possibly be made. In this country one can pro-

cure a really good cigar for a nickel and cigars, tobacco, etc., are kept up to the highest standard by keen competition.

Think of a government telegraph and telephone system where one would not be sure whether his message would go to-day or to-morrow, and where you would be told to carry it yourself if you did not like it as they do in Great Britain. Do you not think that this would be the very worst of monopolies? For myself I think that it would, but why not use our present form of government to just ends, and in the case of necessities regulate the selling price so that it would be reasonable both for producer and purchaser. The man who makes diamond brooches dare not ask exorbitant prices for his product because one only purchases them as a luxury or to feed his vanity, but with coal or sugar and such things that our civilization has brought us to consider as a necessity he can raise his price almost beyond reason and we have got to pay it. Let the government regulate the prices on such commodities as these and it will still give competition a chance to keep the quality up where it belongs.

To-day in conversation with a brother workman he said "that the calling out of troops in the present miners' strike was an outrage, and moreover that under no circumstances would he join the National Guard because he might at any time be called upon to shoot his father or brother." That is what I would call foolish talk. Does he suppose that any sheriff who had any hopes of his political future would call for military help unless he saw things going beyond the power of the ordinary force to hold. Think of this during your next strike—that the lives and property of the wealthy man and of the non-unionist are as sacred as those of the striker; that no strike ever held the public sympathy that resorted to the gun and torch as an argument; that the moment rioting begins, unless at once put down, so soon will begin chaos and anarchy. Does any man think that by clubbing or shooting a fellow man he can make this man see as he does or that he raises his own moral standard? Not much; he only makes a bitter enemy of that man and lowers his own standard to that of the brute.

We should look upon the guard as one of the bulwarks of our form of government. Let it be said that any lawlessness of the people is quelled by the people themselves. It should be the duty of every union man during a strike to see that his brother unionist leaves violence out of his calculations, as it really does no good in the end.

This miners' strike that is now in progress has a very just cause and with the single exception that resulted in the calling for troops has been one of the best conducted and most orderly large strikes

that this country has ever seen. The men, by refraining from lawlessness, have secured the sympathy of the greater mass of the public. Now some of my views of this matter may be all wrong, still they look reasonable to me and will give some of you press secretaries a chance to air your own—they might be better.

To come back to earth again, our own little 86 is as fine as can be. Together with 44, we will hold the annual dance at Fitzhugh Hall on Thanksgiving Eve, and all you boys from the surrounding villages are hereby notified and ordered to appear in your Sunday-go-to-meeting duds on that night and do your level best to keep the game a going.

Now that the hot weather is nearly gone, let us attend meetings with some show of regularity and you fellows that are behind on the books ought to catch up. It looks better.

So long until next time. P. S.

Local Union No. 87.

Newark, N. J., Oct. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It has been quite a time since you have heard from the Newark boys, but I am glad to inform you they are getting along finely and are going to run off a fine smoker and expect to make a good success out of it. Our electric light linemen made a slight strike and are now receiving \$2.75 per day. I am very sorry to announce the death of one of our sincere and worthy members, V. E. Ellifrity, who was killed in Hoboken Oct. 1st, by a pole falling with him.

Respectfully yours,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 90.

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

How short a month seems to those of us who are called upon to fulfill a promise or perform a duty for which we are not qualified. To my mind the duty assigned to the press secretary is the most difficult and puzzling task that could be imposed on the average lineman, for he is handicapped by lack of experience in that line of business and should he plead ignorance as an excuse for not having a letter in the Worker he is liable to be criticised by the members of his local union.

In the September Worker there is a letter from our grand president calling the attention of the locals to the indifference of some of them toward the appeal of the E. B. for the twenty-five cents assessment levied to reimburse the treasury. It certainly does not look well for the delinquent locals of the I. B. They should send in their share promptly and put the treasury up to the safety mark. If the E. B. did not come to the aid of those brothers who were in need they might be censured first by those locals who are now backward in

coming forward with their proportionate share. It is too soon to get discouraged over a few failures to gain what was sought, for we may have better luck the next time. I would therefore urge all the brothers to stand by the officers and give them financial assistance that they may be prepared to meet any demands that may be made upon them by worthy brothers.

Work for linemen is good in this section of the state just now, the only drawback in the electrical line is the lack of a uniform rate of wages.

Bro. John Reynolds has left the Electric Light Co. and accepted a position as foreman with the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., which is establishing a light plant of its own. Bro. Reynolds has the best wishes of every member of Local 90. It is the earnest desire of the brothers to see him promoted to the head of the electrical department of that large corporation. We also hope that he will advocate unionism whenever he has occasion to hire linemen, and that those union men who may be under his charge do all in their power to help him reach the top round of the official ladder.

Be ever watchful, brothers, for if current report is true we have a Benedict Arnold amongst us.

Local Union No. 90 is making preparations to give an anniversary ball on December 12th, 1900, and it is the earnest desire of the committee having charge of the matter that every member do all in his power to make it a success. It will be the first time in the history of the city that the electrical workers have come before the public in an affair of this kind. On the success and orderly termination of this ball depends the life of the electrical workers as an organization in this city. Now, brothers, cast aside petty grievances and flock to the aid of your officers and committees. Even though some of us may be loud-mouthed, we are at all times working for the interests of the local, according to our ideas. We will be cured of those evils in time. Under the guiding hand of our worthy president there need be no fear of strife. He is an efficient officer whose motto is harmony and all of us who know him will bear witness to that fact. Brothers, the increase in numbers at the last two meetings and the interest taken in the different questions coming before the union are indeed very gratifying to the officers who wish to take this means of expressing to the brothers their commendation.

With best wishes to Local 90 and the Brotherhood, I am,

Yours in fraternity,
F. J. HORAN,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 95.

Joplin, Mo., Oct. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It has been a long time since 95 had a

letter in the Worker. The reason is our P. S. has either fallen into an old mine shaft or got married, and I have not heard anything to that effect, so with all due respects and apologies, I will try to write a few lines.

By the way, I see in last month's Worker that the locals in the South have raised a big kick about "Burheads" getting into the I. B. Well, I see where they are at. Stick to it, brothers, and it will make men of you. Just imagine yourself extending the right hand of fellowship to a great big burly "Burhead," and calling him brother.

No. 95 is having some little trouble with the S. W. Mo. St. Ry. boys in getting them into line, and all on account of a big colored lineman. But say, any old time a nig gets into 95 or works with any of the boys, you can tell dad that I am on the hog.

Now speaking of 95, you just ought to see how well most of them attend meetings. Everyone in town is there, not one is missing, but I wish to inform the brothers that the meetings they attend are some political or street-corner blowhard, and there they stand and chew the rag, get unionism started, talk and howl to a finish. But when these same members get into a lodge room they sit there and suck their thumbs and say nothing. They have got a card and think there is nothing more to do. Brothers, you will gain nothing that way. Do you call that unionism? Do you really think there is nothing else to do but pay your dues? If you do, you could help a little more by calling on the F. S. and see how you stand, and I will bet one centavo you don't even know the password.

Remember all these strikes in the country; what causes them? Do not think we are looking for trouble, that is the last thing we want, nor is this a land where trouble is settled by arbitration. If something of that kind would happen I think we would get along better.

Brothers, let Bryan and McKinley out for one night in the week and come to the Brotherhood meeting. Get up and hustle for our cause and for new members. Last meeting night there was a prize offered to the one who would get the most members before the first of January. Brothers, can't you get them without being paid for it?

We add a new light to the circuit now and then, thanks to Bro. Stephens for his untiring efforts to do good.

The S. W. Mo. Light Co. is doing some repair work, also some new, or will do so in Webb City in the very near future, and as Bro. Stephens is the "Big It," you can go down and get any amount (provided it is not over a nickel) and bet that nothing but good cards get in there. They have got to produce or get out. The Joplin

Tel. laid off some of the boys this week and the Bell is doing nothing. If there are any of the brothers thinking of coming this way, they had best sidetrack, but when a good card appears you bet there is some kind of help for it on the road.

I notice some of the brothers get it into their heads that certain members are trying to run the local, and especially if it is anyone that tries to do good. I wish to say to these brothers who feel so, you ought to get a large-sized mule, and let it kick you three times a day for six months twice a year. You forget that you have a voice in each and every meeting. If the officers are not doing their duty and you know it, attend the meetings and get new ones who will. If any brothers are going wrong, get them right before it is too late. If you meet a man that is in your class and not in line, do not call him a scab until you know it to be a fact. Remember that you yourself was out once, and would you have joined a union that called you a scab, when you were not? Try to get them all in.

Bro. Editor, do not put this in very large print, for if our P. S. should be resurrected and see this I am liable to get my fuse blown. Thanking you for space and promising to see that 95 is heard from oftener, I will cut out by remaining,

Fraternally yours,

W. R., P. S., Pro Tem.

Local Union No. 96.

Worcester, Mass., Oct. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Another month has passed and Local 96 has a few more words to say to let you know that we are still on earth.

Business is good in this section at the present time and I believe all the brothers have work.

The boys seem to be getting more interested in our local than they have been in the past. You ought to see the difference in attendance in our hall on meeting nights now. When one comes into the hall a little late now he can't sit down in the first chair he comes to as of yore, even if some of the brothers are working out of town.

I am glad to say that we are still increasing in membership, and hope we may keep right on doing so.

Yours respectfully,

C. O. KNIGHT,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 97.

Bradford, Pa., Oct. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

No. 97 took in two new members two weeks ago and two more last night. We had sent out invitations to all members and visiting brothers to come last night and help us enjoy a smoker and, though we did not have a large attendance, we had a very fine time. We have quite a number

of members who have got lost and we would be much pleased to have them send their address to the secretary that we may keep in touch with them.

Members of other locals visiting Bradford are requested to attend the meetings and show their interest in the organization. We are banded together for our own interests and the time may come when you will want help. So come in and we promise to give all something of interest to remember.

Our smoker was a complete success and we hope to have another next month.

I am very sorry to say that two weeks ago I was elected treasurer of No. 97, also delegate to the Trades Assembly, as well as being placed on committee for smoker and another committee. The members should not expect too much of one man, and I hope all hands will turn out at all future meetings and take some of the official positions. At least they might come and defeat me before I begin to think that I am the whole thing.

Ed. Hollis has been twice, in two weeks, and imagines he has filled the bill. We got him started on the by-laws and we expect to be the model local in Pennsylvania. Hollis came twenty miles just to get something to eat and was half a day late next day and as hungry as ever when he got back to work.

Geo. Reeves has gone to Springfield, Mass., (God's country), and we are looking and watching to hear that he will do us honor though far away. Five other members have left Bradford, looking for work. All jolly good fellows, and we hope the locals will look out for them. Boys, whatever you find to do, do right. Make yourself useful; careful and honest, and an honor to the I. B. E. W.

Work don't seem to be very brisk in this place. The Electric road has a few miles of feed wire to be put up, but a good workman would stand no show as the man in charge don't seem to care for good work but likes to show his fangs pretty well. Speaking of fangs, he tried them once too often and had them plucked rather badly and is a better if not a wiser man. "When ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise." Some people don't know when they are getting good work, some don't care, and this man is both.

This was found in a lincmen's dinner pail:

Cake and pastry have a way
Of getting out of sight,
And doughnuts, though made to stay
Are gobbled up all right.
Bread and butter suit me best,
As I am queerly made;
But doughnuts will fill my vest,
When chewed and snugly layed.
There are many kinds of cake,
All pleasing to the eye,

And the stuff I won't forsake

Is cheese with apple pie.

Yours fraternally,

N. G. NEAR.

Local Union No. 98.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 10, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The first of the series of entertainments contemplated for the fall and winter was given on the evening of the 11th ult., under the auspices of the standing entertainment committee, and proved a decided success. It took the form of a smoker after adjournment of the regular, though extremely brief weekly meeting. Much of the pleasure was due to the efforts of members of the local, who contributed by song, joke or story. Bro. Charles O'Neill with a sparring partner gave a beautiful four-round exhibition of boxing, followed by the Darktown Quartet, four chocolates gathered in from Philadelphia's streets. Their singing was a wonder. If they were singing for breakfast they would be hungry yet. But Bro. Mort. Gleeson, chairman of the entertainment committee, had a happy thought, and got two of them to put on the gloves. Then, oh then, did all present weep; never were more tears shed at a Mormon funeral. What a riot. Suffering windmills! how arms and legs flew. Rastus tried to investigate Mose's 'innerds' and Mose returned the compliment by a learned phrenological examination of Rastus' bumps. Then until the sound of the gong there was jabbing and smashing and pulling and hauling. At the opening of the second spasm Rastus, who was the shorter by four inches, true to his racial instincts, rushed for his adversary with lowered head and butted Mose in the pantry. Mose gave a quick uppercut, but Rastus must have had his countenance open, as the game was stopped for a full minute until Mose succeeded in extricating his glove from Rastus' fodder-mill. After vomiting up a couple of molars Rastus again attempted to "goat" his friend. Mose swung for Rastus' off optic, but Rastus wasn't there, and the wind from that swing blew down the picture of McKinley from the wall, to the tune of the grub signal. At the opening of the third heat Rastus, who sings bass in the quartet essayed to throw his left fin into Mose's music transmitter, but Mose, being a tenor and five feet one inch, was too high, and the whoof of that crack as it cavorted in the air-compressor tank was a crime. There was some "I dare you to touch me" tactics. Rastus was trying to clear his bugle and the gang scattered. Mose, whose blow-hole was careening around to his left receiver, embraced the opportunity to tune up. Just then Bro. Fowler, who was time-keeper, played the chimes.

At the fourth and last kink, each seemed to be on the cautious, and the way Rastus

and Mose circumnavigated it was hard to tell who was the pursuer and who the pursued.

The crowd was now sobbing violently and Bro. James Mullen, who was acting as referee, frequently had to mop his goo-goo eyes to hide his emotion. Rastus seeing an opening, swung his left wing and landed on Mose's right knee. But Mose quickly lifted his hind leg and kicked Rastus where he rests while reposing in a chair. The shock to his anatomy caused Rastus to look several shades blacker at the namesake of Israel's desert pilot, while he reached for a spittoon to shy at the tenor. At this juncture Fowler dropped his false teeth on the gong and the scrappers, thinking the bell indicated that the fight was over, rolled their eyes and "shook."

The boys now scrambled good coin of the realm in the middle of the floor and those four niggers plowed into trouble, each looking for his share and somebody's else.

After the symphony in black came grotesque dancing, singing, banjo playing, trio for cornet, clarinet and piano, and funny speeches.

The singing by President Spence, the recitations from Shakespeare by Bro. Potter and the piano voluntary of Bro. Bergendahl were especially noteworthy. The quips and puns rendered by Bro. James Meade, together with his romanza in B. flat entitled "O'Houlihan," were well received. At the stunning applause proclaiming its morishness, Bro. Meade again responded with a melodramatic account of how the "Irishman got rid of the Rat."

The last number on the program introduced two bantam scrappers of local note who proceeded to demonstrate in three fast two-minute rounds what easy money was.

All this time, beaming Bro. Nichols and the sub-committee, having the refreshments in charge, were dispensing doughnuts and claret lemonade, and the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company kindly donated a policy with each doughnut. The lemonade had to stand on its own recognition.

The second of the entertainments will be given on the 16th of the present month, and indications point to a record-breaker.

In spite of the raise in the initiation fee to \$10.00, the applicants are flocking in bunches of from one to six at each meeting, and when turned over to the tender mercies of the initiatory committee they have something to reflect upon.

No. 98 is at the present time engaged in difficulty with the D'Almer Eng. Co. of this city and all brothers are warned to stay away from them.

Work is plentiful, and everybody, in spite of the above mentioned trouble, is busy. Now this is to be taken as a warning that No. 98 won't stand for any

brother from outside grafting himself upon us unless he means to show a paid-up card. We mean business.

The press secretary of No. 98 would suggest to the Editor of the Worker that he just skip the name of one month and call September's Worker, the October number and then we will just get our papers on time. Everlasting circuit-breakers!! what has become of September's Worker?

"Willie Holler, ten o'clock scholar
What makes you come so soon?
You used to come at ten o'clock
And now you come at noon."

Fraternally,
CHAS. SID. ANDRES,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 101.

Brockton, Mass., Sept. 27, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

If any Brother of the I. B. E. W. is acquainted with or knows of the whereabouts of J. William Pushee, better known as "Billy," look out for him; he cannot be considered confidential, at least by Local 101 of Brockton, of which he was president. He went away with ten dollars in cash belonging to our local, which was intrusted to him by another member, in addition to being three months in arrears. He was last heard from in New York state working for the Postal Tel. Co.

C. A. WILBOR,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 102.

Newark, N. J., Sept. 10, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

This is rather a late hour to write for the Worker, but "better late than never" will answer for me.

Local No. 102 is still thriving, but there seems to be a deficiency in the attendance that is very noticeable. All good workers should attend each meeting if possible and take an active part in it.

What has become of Bro. Joe Maher? We would all like to know, as we have lost track of him entirely. Write to me, Joe, and let us know how and where you are and what you are doing. Hoping that the I. B. E. W. prospers in the future as in the past, I am,

Fraternally, F. B. SWEENEY.

Local Union No. 104.

Oct. 3, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Here we are again, a little late, but alive and kicking all the same.

It may be a little late in the season to speak about our Labor Day parade now, but a good thing is not spoiled by frequent repetition. In all, about 80,000 were in line. It was an impressive spectacle. All agree that it was the most orderly and best-conducted demonstration ever witnessed here. With the help of sister locals the electrical workers marched 300

strong. Although we were lacking in quantity, we made up for it in quality. Those misguided beings who are outside our fold looked miserably forlorn as they skulked around the corners to view the boys who know their rights and are not afraid to stand up for them. I am sorry to say that a few of our members who could have been with us drifted into the company of the outsiders. Why? It is hard to say. Next time they probably will not act so. They may have been curious to see how we looked in marching order. We hope we impressed them properly and that they will no more be afraid to be seen with us.

The spirit proper to such an occasion was well exemplified by our worthy president, Birmingham, one of the oldest electrical workers in Boston. Although age presses heavily upon him, his enthusiasm in the good cause is as great as that of the youngest and most ardent of our members. Despite the excessive heat, he led the parade from start to finish, and were more necessary I have no doubt he would be ready to do it. Hats off to the old veteran!

Ex-Vice-President Smith also deserves honorable mention. Long may he flourish, and when time robs him of his vigor may he find as stout and true a staff to lean on as the one he bore in the parade of 1900 in Boston.

The new telephone Co., which for a year or so has been trying to get into Boston with its scab help and scab rate of wages, is finding itself up against the real thing here. It was easy for it to go along with its work in the outside towns. Here it is different. Another object lesson to non-union men; another triumph for organized labor.

At the present time Boston is a good place for electrical workers provided they belong to the union. It is becoming one of the places where non-union men are not needed.

Our union will hold a grand ball shortly. It is one of the great annual events for electrical workers, and no effort will be spared to make it a splendid and red-letter affair. The fellows who do stunts on poles and amid wires will have a chance to trip the light fantastic to music sweeter than the spheres. The lineman will certainly keep up the credit of his calling amid the mazes and "short circuit" of the waltz and polka.

I regret to report that one of our oldest members, Elijah Labec, was killed while in discharge of his duty with the Boston Electric Light Co. two weeks ago. He came in contact with a brace charged by a 2,000 volt wire. The union mourns the loss of such a worthy member, and extends its sympathies and condolences to the family of the deceased brother.

Fraternally,
J. A. McDONALD,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 106.

Jamestown, N. Y., Oct. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Once more Old Rip has been disturbed from his slumbers. I will try to let all Bros. hear from 106. The writer was away on a vacation and failed to get a letter in the last number of our good book, for which I humbly beg pardon.

One of our esteemed brothers had a bad fall in which his shoulder was broken, also his ankle, Bro. Dave Maloney by name. He has the heartfelt sympathy of all brothers of 106, also of many other friends.

Well, brothers time goes on with us all, so does the good work of the I. B. E. W. No. 106 has turned the circuit on one new member of late. There are a few more coming down the line in sight. Let the good work go on.

Well, everything is moving along slowly but surely here in our beautiful city; nothing new in our line.

There have been quite a number of labor unions started here of late. "Good luck to the working man," is our toast. It is quite late to speak about Labor Day, but I must say a few words. It was up hill business to get the thing started, and many of our labor unions worked hard to make it a success, for which I think they were repaid on the day of the parade to see how strong Jamestown is. There were a number of factories which did not intend to shut down for the day, but when it came they had to shut down for the good reason they had not enough men to start them. It was a surprise to a good many people to see the large line of manly workingmen march through our streets. Some people carried the idea that labor here didn't cut any ice, but got left. I would like to say through this valuable paper to Bros. Harry and Frank Sears that 106 would like to hear from them, as we don't wish to be forgotten. Brothers, take a little time to drop us a few lines and let us know how you prosper.

I was not in the city last meeting night but am told that there was a very spirited meeting. That's right, brothers, take an interest and help the good work along. Come one, come all and help us. Don't be bashful, either. Well, brothers, I will close for this time, hoping this letter will meet with favor.

Yours fraternally,
W. B. LANCASTER, P. S.

Local Union No. 109.

Rock Island, Ill., Sept. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, brothers, we have lost out a couple of times on our letter, but hope we will not this time.

Now, brothers, I am going to tell you something. No. 109 has been having her trials and tribulations ever since she started. We first started, as you all know,

with a scab as an officer. Well, some of our brothers were good enough to inform us of the fact, and of course we ditched him, but members of other locals kept right on making fun of us and at the same time they were sworn to stay by us and help us in any way they could; and now word comes to us that 109 is disgraced forever, and that it might as well pass in its checks. But don't you think it. She is pretty fairly organized and she is going to stick, no matter what members of other locals say about us. I am referring to no one in particular; but if the shoe fits, why just put it on and say nothing, for we are prospering and mean to keep doing so.

We would like very much to hear from some of the boys who belong here who have left. Yours fraternally,

GEO. WEATHERLY.

Rock Island, Ill., Sept. 23, 1900

Editor Electrical Worker:

We have been the target of considerable unfavorable comment on account of the fact that Pearl Webb had been taken into and elected F. S. of No. 109. We wish to say that at the time he was taken in we were just organizing, and no one in this neck of the woods knew anything about his past record, and, instead of us taking him in, it seems he took us in. But murder will out, and in spite of the fact that he had gotten several miles away from the scene of his past exploits, his record followed him, and thanks to the vigilance of the members of No. 39, and to the wide circulation of the Worker, we were enabled to gain conclusive evidence of his dirty work, and the result was, we fired him bodily; not, however, without giving him a chance to square himself, a chance which it seems he did not care to avail himself of. His exit was accomplished in the manner set forth in the following resolutions:

Whereas, Having received indisputable evidence of the fact that Pearl Webb is now on the scab list, he having scabbed during the Cleveland strike, and

Whereas, As No. 109 was not instituted for the purpose of furnishing a harbor of refuge for scabs, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the said Pearl Webb be and is hereby expelled from membership in Local Union No. 109, I. B. E. W.; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the editor of the Electrical Worker for publication.

Local Union No. 114.

Toronto, Can., Oct. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Booming! I should say so! We had the first of our series of open meetings last Friday. The best of speakers from Building Trades Council and Trades and Labor Assembly were there to help us out. They told our audience most of the benefits of

organization, so much so that they came right up to the front in a body and paid their initiation fee. Now, brothers, don't blow the fuse, help things along, use all your energy, because energy is that great difference between members—the hard workers and the knockers.

Don't be a knocker. Have a fixed purpose; then death or victory. That quality will do anything that can be done in this world, and no talent, no circumstances, no opportunities will make a two-legged creature a man without it.

Trade is good. First-class wiremen are in demand, but there is no minimum set scale of wages.

I remain to be heard from in November.

Yours fraternally,
W. B. COX,
Press Sec'y.

Local Union No. 115.

Austin, Texas, Sept. 30, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Some nights ago, while filling the office of the recording secretary in the absence of that officer, your correspondent without his consent being asked, was aroused from his work on the minutes and informed that he had been duly and constitutionally elected Press Secretary, and that he was expected to commence filling that important position right away. Being a new recruit as an organized electrical worker (though thirteen years in practical electrical work), we did not at once understand what the duties of press secretary were, until we looked at a copy of the Electrical Worker and find that we are expected to write something in the nature of a letter supposed to be of general interest to the fraternity.

After understanding what the office of press secretary means, we feel complimented at the unsolicited honor of being chosen to this position and sorry for the L. U. that better material as press correspondent was not selected, as we fear we shall prove a very uninteresting letter writer.

Now, Mr. Editor, this being our first letter as press correspondent, and as we said before, being a new recruit (who ought to be modest) not much can be expected of our first effort, still we will do the best we know how, and that is all any one can do.

Local Union No. 115, I presume, has not been heard from in some time. I think the principal reason being that the break in the Austin dam and the shutting down of more than fourteen thousand incandescent lights, some two hundred and fifty arc lights, besides a large number of motors on April 7th last, and the consequent laying off of quite a number of the members of the L. U., has caused them to scatter everywhere, and (so far as the Electrical Worker can give evidence) lose interest in the order.

Mr. Editor, I am glad to be able to say that appearances in that respect would be misleading, as this local is alive and getting along in a good, steady, slow-but-sure way and taking in recruits at every meeting who have heretofore been appealed to in vain to become members.

The City Water-Light and Power Plant (the Austin Dam Co.) has again started up its light and power department in a small way, and some of its old employees are again getting their old places back.

The talk now is that the City Plant intends to enlarge its steam facilities in the near future, so that they can furnish water, light and power to all their old customers as formerly. If this should be done, all of our old members will most likely return, which will give us quite a membership here.

As almost every correspondent has had something to say about Labor Day in the September issue, I think it would be of interest to state (even at this late date) that our labor parade was the largest and most successful ever had in Austin, and demonstrated clearly that labor unions combined as a whole, and the electrical workers in particular, are a very respectable element in the City of Austin, and that at no very distant day a mechanic who does not belong to a union will not "be in it."

With best wishes for the fraternity I am, respectfully,

MCK—,

Press Secretary.

Local Union No. 119.

Newport News, Va., Sept. 25, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Local 119 is all O. K. and still in the ring, and if the efforts of our indefatigable president count for anything we shall soon be on the top cross-arm. Since our last communication to you our local has enlisted in the ranks of the Central Labor Union and has the honor of furnishing a president for the same. Mr. Geo. Cross, who is also president of No. 119.

The Central Labor Union has purchased the "Labor News," the official organ of the State Federation of Labor, and will continue to publish same in the interest of the laboring people, under the head of "The News."

Labor Day, Sept. 3rd, was a grand success in every respect.

Mr. Belk, business agent of the Central Labor Union, is making things hum here. A strike was declared at the shipyard by the chippers and caulkers, which was quickly settled by him after having prevailed upon the employers to grant their request. A raise in wages was what they wanted. Mr. Belk immediately had bills posted calling all unorganized men together to form a federation of labor, which was effected.

A committee was sent out from the Central Labor Union to organize the colored

craftsmen, your humble servant being a committeeman. If organized they would be a great benefit to the labor cause here.

With best wishes from No. 119 to all locals, I beg to submit myself as your humble servant,

MALCOLM BEGGER,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 120.

London, Oct. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I have been requested by the press secretary to write a few lines for this month's Worker, as he is too busy. I think he is putting in a lot of over time these nights. (But not at linework.)

Local 120 is getting along nicely and still adding a few new members to the list.

Bro. Henry Westman took a few holidays last week. He also took to himself a wife, so I guess his holidays are over for a while. Of course I don't know much about it myself as I haven't had any experience in that line, but I do know that he has our best wishes.

I believe that one of the trouble-shooters from here has gone to Buffalo and is scabbing it there. I didn't think he could run his face as a lineman but I suppose they are glad to get anything that can carry a pair of spurs. We would like to see the Buffalo scab list to see if his name is included, as we are not sure that he is traveling on his own name.

We have had a pretty busy summer here but have got over the rush now, although there is considerable to do yet.

We had Bro. Heaman of Cleveland with us last meeting night and were quite pleased to see him. We did not have a very large attendance as some of the boys were out of town.

I think I will have to cut it short but hope that our P. S. will have a few lines for the Worker next month.

Yours fraternally,

E. COLSON.

Local Union No. 121.

Denver, Colo., Oct. 2, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Archer moved yesterday. Not because he thought it was cheaper to move than pay rent, but because he had it to do. We have a boy in our family of seven years and he had the nerve to get up on the back-yard fence and make faces at our landlady, who is of Jewish extraction, and ask her if she wanted to buy a stove. He probably learned that from hearing his father talking in his sleep while dreaming of what had taken place during the day.

I often wonder if the readers of the Electrical Worker like to read funny things that sometimes happen to fixers under peculiar circumstances. Taking it for granted that such is the case, the writer will undertake the responsibility of telling

something that took place in a certain fixers family not long since, and the readers can draw their own conclusions as to whom that fixer may be. This certain fixer started keeping house not more than a month ago with a very limited supply of dishes and bed clothing. He was obliged to take his pliers and screw-driver home every night to eat with and even at that had to draw straws with his wife to see who should cut the bread and then have a fuss over who got the screw driver first. When it came time to go to bed the fun did commence, for all they had was a brass bedstead, and a mattress, one pillow and a small child's comforter, which they would spread over their feet; that would leave their shoulders exposed and during the night that comforter would naturally be pulled up close to their necks, thus leaving four bare feet sticking out. It wouldn't be long before 20 bare toes would begin to wiggle around wondering where in the Sam Scratch the cover had gone to. This would be kept up until morning. That poor comforter was almost worn out trying to keep the occupants of that bed warm. The aforesaid fixer now has covers to burn.

The writer wishes to thank Bro. Gleason of No. 39 for the accurate description given of the funeral of our deceased brother, Wm. Caution, also the mentioning of committee appointed to receive same at the depot. The writer did not have the time to write much of a letter on account of not getting back to Denver until the 7th of September.

The way the Cleveland fixers showed me around the town on Sunday and Labor Day was no trouble to them at all. I want especially to mention Bro. Gleason and Bro. Hard-Handled, Heavy-Scraper, Hard-Shaker, Henry Hamilton Hicks and, by the way, the man who has never met these brothers has missed a whole lot of real pleasure. And say, you should hear Hicks sing. He has a voice that is operatically divine, and would do credit to any tenor singer in the country. I wish, Bro. Hicks, that you would write to me, and if you don't inside of a month I'll give it to you worse the next letter I write.

On the 25th of October the I. B. E. Ws. of Local 121 will give their first annual ball. The following brothers have been appointed the committee on arrangements: Wm. Bissell, Dave Reed, Ed. Doll, Tom Temple, Frank Corrigan and Charles Archer. This committee is doing all in its power to make the ball a grand success and expect that no less than 250 tickets will be sold.

At a meeting of the trustees of the town of Evans, Colo., last night, a franchise was granted to the Greeley Independent Telephone Co. The new company expects to commence erecting its line at once, and to extend same to all towns in Weld county.

as fast as the material can be placed on the ground. This will make work for not a few linemen in the near future.

There has also lately been granted a 50-year franchise to a street railway company at Santa Fe, N. M. This company expects to connect with surrounding towns and to run a line into the mountains to carry coal and ore to smelters at Santa Fe.

Never has there been a time when work was better in the West, nor has there been as many linemen here before as at the present time. This is indeed gratifying to western linemen, when you consider the fact that a job could hardly be obtained by the best and oldest fixers in the West from 1893 to 1897.

We are pleased to note that one of our bright lights, Bro. Bissell, has been promoted from the ranks of fixers to that of foreman for the Colorado Telephone Co. He, in company with Gen'l Foreman Cannon, went to La Junta, Oct. 1st, where he is to take charge of Bro. Smale's crew. We have not been informed as yet what Bro. Smale expects to do.

Bro. Lane came back to Denver after having rebuilt Leadville, Glenwood Springs and other small jobs. He now has a crew in the city.

Lee Burnett came here from Chicago about ten days ago and stopped just long enough to get placed by the C. Tel. Co.

Willis Burnett, Lee's brother, and Patsy Freeman, left a week ago for Alabama, the Sunny South, where they will put in the winter. Patsy says Cripple Creek is too dang cold and the snow comes too soon after the Fourth of July to suit him.

No. 121 has grown so rapidly in the short time that we have had our charter that we have found it advisable to secure a hall with greater seating capacity and better accommodations. The Editor will therefore note that on and after the 4th of October No. 121 will meet every Thursday at No. 1445 Larimer street. There are at present 116 members enrolled on our books, all but one member being in good standing. We have only five non-union linemen at work in Denver, outside of a few foremen. They will soon be initiated. There is not a scab in Denver at present writing and they know better than to come here, for we pass them on down the line as fast as they show up.

We had the pleasure of entertaining the ex-president of No. 7, Bro. McGilivray, at our meeting last week. This brother is in Colorado in search of health, and he has the wish of every member of No. 121 that he will soon regain it and be able to take his old place at Springfield, Mass.

Elmer Hickey blew into Denver last week with a card from No. 18 and was sent to Colorado Springs by the Col. Tel. Co. Bro. Hickey is a good fellow and a friend to all good fixers. About the same time that Hickey came here a young fellow by

the name of J. D. Gregory, also carrying a card from No. 18, came here from Colorado Springs, where he had been employed by the Street K. R. Co. While working for them he had the misfortune to meet with an accident which is preventing him from working. He came to us broke and said he was on his way to Kansas City and a donation from the brothers would be very acceptable. A collection was taken and a ticket procured for him. While waiting for the ticket he got it into his head that he had better show the brothers of No. 121 how good a union man he really was, so he makes the following charge against Bro. Hickey: That he had scabbed during the strike at Joplin, Mo., last April. Gregory was asked to meet Hickey and several of the brothers at the storeroom of the Col. Tel. Co. and there make his charges and tell what he knew of the case, and unless he did so the brothers would take it for granted that his story was a fanciful vision of a disordered brain. He hasn't been seen in Denver since. In the meantime Bro. Hickey has given conclusive proof that he was in the State of Ohio during the entire strike at Joplin. At the regular meeting of No. 121 October 4 a motion to exonerate Bro. Hickey and to extend to him the right hand of fellowship, was unanimously carried.

The feeling against J. D. Gregory is not of the best and he has himself alone to blame, and the best thing for him to do is to write a letter of apology to the Worker and, unless he does so, he wants to give Denver a wide berth in the future.

Bro. (?) Wall left Denver recently on short notice. We have not been informed whether he used the window or door for the exit of his trunk, at any rate the landlord of the Western hotel is looking for him with a bill of \$30 for board and lodging, and \$3 borrowed money. Mat Wall has been in Denver since early last spring and during this time has lost not to exceed three weeks time. This fellow is a record breaker in his line for he also beat a board bill at Victor, Colo., of about the same amount, also one at Spokane, Wash. In the latter case he beat a widow lady out of \$14. Mat Wall is certainly a snake-in-the-grass; he wins your confidence, makes a friend of you and then when he gets a good opportunity strikes you in the back. Such men are the worst kind of detriment to our cause and the writer is of the opinion that every union should have inserted in its by-laws that any man beating his board bill should be immediately expelled from the union.

Bro. Sherman, we have an excellent paper. We can find no fault with it at all, but it seems to me as though there could be something added that would be very instructing and help the brothers out of the hole into which they sometimes fall while engaged in a difficult piece of work. What

I mean is why can't we have a question bureau? Other papers have them and they are found to be a great help. Not only are they entertaining, but it gives a chance for a brother to grasp new ideas and better fit himself in his usefulness to his employer. Can this be worked up Bro. Sherman, or is it altogether out of the question?

There is one thing more I want to mention before closing. No. 121 is strictly a lineman's union and will the editor kindly see that we are marked as such.

Yours very truly,

A. ARCHER,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 126.

Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 6, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The time rolls around when another inflection by the P. S. is due, and so here goes. Since my last, No. 126 has moved ahead several notches and the progress has not been stopped either. On the 2nd inst. nine good men joined our select band and there are four or five applications on file. When all these are acted on L. R. will be practically a union town for electrical workers. Another good move recently made is a slight re-arrangement of officers, which insures attendance of necessary officers at each meeting and a better arrangement of the financial end of the union. Bro. Crutchfield, an earnest worker, has been elected to the important office of F. S. and our personal affairs are now in excellent shape, due largely to his efforts.

Ten-cent cotton has put this section of the country on the boom and the electrical industries feel some of this prosperity, principally the construction companies, which have quite a little business on hand.

The Edison Company still has an extensive piece of line-rebuilding on hand, and Bro. Wilson has had a gang on the jump for some time. The Traction Company is preparing to lay new steel down town and has put down new ties on all lines. The telephone companies have about the usual number of men at work and Bro. Ewing has unionized his entire force.

Yours fraternally,

C. J. D.

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 130.

New Orleans, Oct. 6, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is quite a while since I acted as press secretary and consequently am a little rusty, but will try and make a fair report of New Orleans, 130. Considering the short time we have been organized we are doing splendid and expect to initiate four new ones at our next meeting, Wednesday, the 10th; they are coming our way, and I should judge that before the end of the year we will have all the top-notchers in line.

Work is on the boom here and lots of new buildings going up; plenty repair work, and hope it will continue. We have had a very busy summer and we expect a good winter. There is quite a demand for all classes of labor in Galveston, Tex., judging from the ads. in our local papers, but I have not heard anything about the electrical end.

We expect to give a smoker jointly; that is, 4 and 130, and intend to invite a good bunch of speakers and have the delinquent electrical workers come up and hear why they should jump into the circuit. All the boys are working hard for further success and will keep it up until we have all the open circuits closed.

We all feel very thankful to the Trenton, N. J., boys, for their kind treatment to our Bros. Hillard and Spangenberg, and from the tone of their letter to us they are very proud of their treatment and cannot thank the boys enough.

I forgot to state at the opening of my letter that our worthy press secretary, A. Monaghan, and Treasurer Ferris, are in the country, and that is why I am writing this letter, knowing he will not be back in time.

I will close for this time, wishing the Brotherhood continued success, I am,

Yours fraternally,
T. G. ZIEGLER,
Rec. Sec.

Local Union No. 131.

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 11, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Having been elected P. S. of our local, I presume the brothers will be after having me up on the "carpet" if they do not see something from 131 in the Worker at a very early date.

Labor Day is now a thing of the past, for this year, at least, but it will long be remembered in the hearts of all Brotherhood men, for there was the finest parade of labor organizations ever witnessed on the streets of Columbia, and it was largely due to the I. B. E. W. that it was so, they being the finest appearing body of workmen in the parade. Compliments were showered on them from all sides for their neat, natty and manly appearance. They did indeed look nice, with their uniform of Carhartt overalls, light blue shirts, white felt hats and white collars and ties. The parade, arriving at the fair grounds, was addressed by the governor of the State, mayor of our city, and a number of other very prominent men. All these celebrities highly endorsed labor organizations.

After the addresses were over nearly all the I. B.'s took part in the contests which followed. Bro. S. F. Davis won first prize in the pole-climbing contest, pole being 50 feet out of the ground; time, 17 2-5 sec. Bro. McFain won first in cross-arming; time, 1 min. 3 sec. Bro. Grose, first in hand line throwing. After the contests

were over many enjoyed the splendid barbecue which had been prepared for this occasion. The day was closed by a grand ball, in which a great number participated.

It affords me great pleasure to announce the marriage of our happy and genial Bro. T. F. Davis, or as he is better known through the length and breadth of this united republic as "Happy Tom," and never was name more appropriately bestowed, for he is always light-hearted, jolly, and, best of all, a union man at heart. The brothers attended the wedding in a body, and after the hand-shaking was over returned to their homes wishing Bro. Davis and his charming bride all the happiness they so meritoriously deserve.

Wonder where G. M. White is?

Yours fraternally, Q. FRED.

Local Union No. 134.

Chicago, Oct. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Local union 134 elected a press secretary some meetings ago who will endeavor to send a few words each month to the Worker for any of the brothers who may be interested in the doings of Chicago's insidemen's local of the I. B. E. W., providing Sec. Sherman is kind enough to allot us the space.

As is the case with most all unions, we do not have a bed of roses to walk on, but we can say that our union is building up every day. We issued at the beginning of quarter the National Building Trades Council working card to the members. Our little trouble with the Chicago Building Trades Council made this necessary.

We are doing the iron-armored conduit work on all such jobs in the city and have been in control of it since July 10th last. Work is not any too plenty or I might say there is no rush, but the writer knows of no one who is out at this writing.

The different L. U.'s. of electricians marched together in parade on Labor Day as one body, making the best showing for organized labor in line.

We have just moved into new quarters at 126 Washington street, over the Lyric theater, where we have office and telephone service in connection. A club room has been rented which joins the hall and office and is being fitted up for the accommodation of the boys and visiting brothers who may wish to while away their spare time at reading, games, etc.

To visiting brothers one word of instruction, enter building at the regular theater entrance and take stairs or elevator to fourth floor, room 56. Telephone us, Main 3551. I am,

Fraternally yours,
FRANK J. BURCH,
Press Sec.

Chicago, Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Death has visited the home of a member

of Local 134. Bro. Edwin L. Beach died on the 5th inst. at Chicago Hospital in his 33d year, after a dangerous operation made necessary by an abscess on the brain.

Bro. Beach had been out of the city for some time in Texas, where he had charge of work for the Western Electric Co. He was brought home sick only a few days ago, in such a condition that there was only slight chances for his recovery. He leaves a wife to mourn his loss, and in her grief we extend our sympathies to her in this hour of trouble.

The interment was at Oakwoods to-day. Resolutions of condolence will appear in the next issue of the Worker.

F. J. BURCH,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 139.

Shreveport, La., Oct. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

This may be too late, but I hope not. Nothing new of interest. The O. T. & T. Co. is very busy with East Shreveport line.

Lost the cable in Red River and came near drowning Bros. A. B. Holt and Bradshaw. The cable was pulled up on a shanty fish boat and the drift caught the cable and pie'd the whole thing. All that was saved being Bro. Holt's pants and shirt. Bro. Holt tried to act as a volt meter to see what was in the trolley. He escaped unhurt.

Bro. A. B. Henry is back from Houston and is much pleased with that place. Our press secretary is out on a high swing, holding to poles and lamp posts. I write to let the boys know the news. Local 139 is swinging easy. We anticipate trouble. All members are asked to keep a lookout as we may go out in an attempt to better our condition. Differences on seven points are to be arbitrated. Bro. Albert Uhl was elected president to fill vacancy.

Very respectfully,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 140.

Lansing, Mich., Oct. 6, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As the time draws near for me to address another letter to our journal, I take my pen in hand to fulfill the duties of P. S.

Things are very quiet as to work here and would advise everyone to stay away from Michigan as there is a cold winter ahead.

A number of Local Union 140 men have taken out traveling cards and have gone in all four directions. Every E. W. will find them O. K. and up to date.

Bro. Bert Gillispie was killed early in September in Battle Creek by getting caught on 2270 alternators. He was a member of No. 39. Since then the boys in Battle Creek have organized. Success boys.

The way L. U. 39 treated Bro. Gillispie's

bereaved wife and family was enough to make an E. W. proud and to send those not in our ranks to us with applications in one hand and fees in the other. Brothers don't get behind in your dues, as they are the life of the union, and we know not when such a death might overtake us.

Our meeting nights are every Monday night, and nearly every member is present each meeting night. Brothers, it is your duty as an E. W. to attend meetings regularly. Don't let a few do your business. Have something to say about it yourselves.

Well as there isn't much going on and nothing more to write, I'll cut out this loop for now.

Fraternally,
KID.

Local Union No. 145.

Saginaw, Mich., Oct. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is a pleasure to announce that Local 145 is still in the onward and upward path. Although our union is comparatively new, the boys are taking hold in splendid shape and seem to realize the many advantages to be derived from it.

We had a rare good time at our last meeting, initiating three new members. Bros. Kelley and Erwin, with their able assistants, showed a thorough knowledge of that branch of the work. Our new men proved themselves to be made of the right material, and although it was a rough and rocky pathway they did not waver but came safely through and are now uniting with the rest of us in pushing our union to the front.

Our electrical discussions are very interesting and instructive. We are striving to make them a special feature of each meeting.

The question of unions for the negro race was recently under discussion, and it is the sentiment here that if they want a union they had better have it by themselves.

Work with the Bell people is rather quiet at present, but the Bartlett Illuminating Co. will soon be at work reconstructing the lighting system of the city.

As P. S. of a newly organized union, I would like to say that this is my first experience in union work, and now that I realize what unions stand for I cannot see why any conscientious man can withhold his aid from such a movement. I believe the public is comparatively ignorant as to the true principles of unionism, otherwise they would be much quicker in extending their sympathy and co-operation.

On September 23, at the evening service of the First Congregational Church, the Rev. A. B. Chalmers gave a very able address on The Labor Movement. His thoughts were directed in a large measure

toward the strike now on in the coal regions.

In another column we publish the sermon in full, also resolutions adopted and forwarded by telegram to the strikers. The telegram was sent that night. Is this not a good sign of a general awakening as to what unions are doing for the laboring man?

Sincerely,
WM. P. GOLDIE,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 146.

Bridgeport, Conn., Oct. 2, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Being elected press secretary of our newly organized local, No. 146, which took place on the 16th of Sept. last, I will endeavor to do the best I can. Not being used to this kind of work, I trust our brotherhood who read the Worker will excuse all mistakes.

Second Vice-President F. J. Sheehan did the honors of organizing this local to the satisfaction of all. He is every inch a gentleman and well fitted for the honorable position he now holds.

Another thing necessary to mention is that the brothers of No. 37 at present located in Bridgeport, expect to be transferred to No. 146 at the earliest convenience. No. 146 wishes to thank them, through your valuable paper, for their kind assistance in helping us to organize. Still another brother, from L. U. No. 4 of New Orleans, is now a full fledged brother here, and it gives me great pleasure to introduce Neil Carmody, the first one to be transferred into 146.

It is very hard for us to get any kind of a hall to meet one night a week, therefore we must put up with two nights a month for a while. Our hall at present is in the Studio building, 122 Fairfield avenue. The boys in 146 are very much interested in the good and welfare of the local and I sincerely trust they will continue so.

Our first and present officers are:

Pres.—John Holtz.

Vice-Pres.—J. Shephard.

R. S.—W. R. Dyer.

F. S.—J. F. Pelan.

Treas.—Thomas Stafford.

Foreman—Fred Beriault, better known as Jumbo.

Inspectors—Martin Hubbard, George Dotsford.

Trustees—James Kilpatrick, George Skiver, James Eagan.

Hoping to remain yours, etc.,

EDWARD MAHONEY,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 147.

Anderson, Ind., October 1, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As it has been a long time since I have had anything to say through your columns,

I now take pleasure in dropping a few lines to let the brothers know where we are at.

Now, brothers, if I am behind the times any you will have to excuse me, for I fell asleep last May and have just woke up, and was surprised to find myself on the banks of the Wabash, but when I realized where I was and what was going on here I thought it was time to go to work; so I threw both feet and found out it was just the place for me to tarry for a while, as my lamp needed trimming and I found I could trim a few more here. I put in new carbon and made my light so strong that it mesmerized every person who came in contact with it. Now, brothers, you can judge for yourselves how strong this light was when, by the aid of Bros. John Ryan, P. Farrell and F. Eckert, we landed 28 victims and are not done. They are still coming. We have eight more applications for our next meeting.

Now, brothers, I am going to show you what kind of men we have in J. U. 147. The first rumor had it that any man who would join the union would be discharged, but we had the necessary amount from eight of the boys and our charter on the road before we got this rumor. But we were ready. Those eight men belong to one gang; also four brothers with cards, and as luck always favors the righteous it happened to be the head gang, with Bro. Baker in the lead, so we made up our minds to work harder than ever. That night, when your Worthy Sleeper came from work, he found that which he holds dearest of all things—the charter which says "In Union There is Strength;" "Together We Stand, Divided We Fall." Now, brothers, this is the motto which I try to follow and I think every man who has got to work for his daily bread ought to try and follow it. After we ate our supper, I told the boys and we assembled in that little upper room as did the apostles of old and there your Sleepy Brother administered the oath that makes two men one, but in this case it made eight the same as one.

The next thing we decided to do was to call an open meeting, so your Sleeper had something more to do; we had to get some place to meet and as we were on the hummer we went out with the strong intention of making someone help our cause along and had good luck. I met a brother clerk in a clothing house and he put me next to Squire Dunham, J. P. I found him O. K. and also an honorary member of the bricklayers' union, so he donated us his office. We had good results at this meeting; we got 20 applications, and at our meeting Friday we had two men come in from Marion, which is 35 miles from Anderson. We also have three more to come from this burg at our next meeting. You can see that the

rumors which were circulated do not daunt us very much in our work. We also have with us Bro. McCarthy, who is an untiring worker and a great help to us. We had Bros. Buckley and Brown of Akron, O., with us on our opening night and also had a call from Bro. Rigsby and his friend. I wish them success.

Well, brothers, I have about done my little bit, and am getting sleepy. It is an awful complaint to have. If any of you have got it you know what it is.

I would like to send my regards to the boys of No. 3, of St. Louis. I think there must be a brother there who is overworked for I wrote him a letter last week and have not received any answer yet. The letter was answered, addressed to Bro. Baker and he read it and came to me to find out what it meant, as he did not know the writer. Will also send my regards to Bros. Gilmore, Gleason, McWilson, Cooney, McIntyre and Uncle Si. I wish them success, and hope that work has opened up in Cleveland:

Now, brothers, I have noticed through the columns of our paper that brothers are charging from \$8 to \$15 for organizing an L. U. I cannot see where this expense comes in. Here is a model L. U. organized and not one dollar of expense, only the loss of a little sleep and a little work to better the cause. I also think our E. B. is spending too much money at this time. There is one thing, brothers, you must look at, and that is this, that it is impossible for us to exist and better our condition as long as we have so many organizers in the field. We now have three salaried officers and two clerks and there is not a month that there is not two or three extra organizers. Now, brothers, if you follow the expense list for organizing since the first of the year you will see that it has been an enormous sum. There will come a time when we will need money, and when, like the foolish virgins, we will be out. I am sorry to see such bad reports from 21 and 45; these are the places where influence and money ought to go. We cannot afford to see such defeat as this.

Now, Bro. Editor, I will not take up any more of your time so I will ring off.

I remain your

SLEEPING BRO.

From "Old Crip."

Denton, Texas, Oct. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The fifth has rolled around once more and I must send in a line to the Worker. Perhaps some of the brothers will wonder if "Old Crip" got drowned in the recent overflow at Galveston. I am glad to say it did not reach Denton by about 300 miles. I have been trying to learn whether or not any of the members of Local 124 suffered or were lost in the terrible disaster. I am still taking my home-made treatment and

am getting better. The doctors say I can't hope to ever use my body or limbs again, but I will use them or bust trying it. I have heard from quite a few members and locals who have bought some copies of my new book, and I am receiving many compliments on the little work. It certainly causes me to rejoice very much that I have been able to produce something that will help the wire-fixers, promiscuously, to think more seriously upon the subject of the possible individual attainments of every man. Following is the amount received to date on the sale of my books from members of the brotherhood:

Local 10	.....	\$5 00
Local 39	.....	4.00
Local 19	.....	2.50
Local 66	.....	5.00
Local 61	.....	3.00
Local 3 (St. Louis)	.....	6.25
Local 99	.....	5.00
Local 20	.....	10.00
Local 121	.....	2.75
Local 114	.....	3.00
Local 126	.....	3.00
Local 31	.....	2.50
Local 133	.....	3.00
Local 119	.....	3.00

I would like to see an organizer visit Texas and Indian Territory. There could be twenty or thirty good locals started in this section if some one could only visit the places and talk unionism to them.

Bro. C. H. McNemar, where are you? I sent you a letter to Waco two weeks ago and it was returned.

Well, brothers, I hope every one that reads this book of mine will be much benefited, and that every one that can spare a quarter will buy one.

Thanking those who have already bought a copy for their generous patronage, and with best wishes to every member, I will "douce the glim" until next month. Sincerely and fraternally,

ROBERT G. WRIGHT.

TEXAS STATE MEETING.

Houston, Tex., Oct. 3, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Enclosed find copy of the minutes of a convention of the Texas locals held in Waco Oct. 1st and 2nd. This convention was called for the purpose of establishing a standard wage scale for the locals of the state and also to discuss ways and means to organize the operators all over the state. I believe that a great deal of good will result from it. I ask you to place resolution No. 1 before the E. B. at once; the iron is getting hot here and we mean to strike while it is right. We held an open meeting in Waco after the business was wound up and a number of the operators came to hear what could be said in favor of their joining. There were some stirring speeches made and No. 72 got applications

from all that came up to hear. I visited 72, you know, some time ago, and found them in bad shape. I held an open meeting, gave the members as well as the outsiders some pretty hot shots and I guess you know the rest from their reports. I believe they have received an impetus now that will keep them moving. Please publish the proceedings of the meeting in the Worker. It may do some good somewhere else. Wishing you success, I am, fraternally,

R. R. TRIPP,
3d V.-P.

TO ALL UNION MEN.

This is to certify that there are charges pending in Local 66 against one J. C. Graves, for violating Sec. 1 Art. 28 of the Constitution, by committing an offense that would bring the Brotherhood into discredit. He joined a Federal labor union in Houston, and being elected its treasurer, embezzled about \$33 of its funds before he was found out. Charges were preferred against him by members of 66 as above, and the night he was notified to appear for trial he skipped out, leaving a wife penniless and in debt for rent. He stands suspended from 66 and has no rights in the Brotherhood until he clears himself of these charges.

R. R. TRIPP, 3d V.-P.

W. D. CAYWOOD, Pres.

C. T. MCINTYRE, Rec. Sec.

ONLY A MAN IN OVERALLS.

Only a man in overalls, lay him anywhere;
Send for the company doctor, we have no time to spare;

Only a little misfire, on a miner crushed;
Put another one on, for from dark till dawn
The smelter must be rushed.

Only another widow under another's roof;
Only another victim beneath the iron hoof.
Only a batch of orphans, and thus the drama ends;

Just let them go, with their anguish and woe,

So we make our dividends.

Only a man in overalls, a very good man
as a rule;

But a man with us is rated as a farmer
rates a mule;

One is as good as the other, but the long-eared s'ave's the best;

He's a little rougher, decidedly tougher,
And doesn't need half the rest.

Only a man in overalls, bury him anywhere;

The burleigh is boiling, the furnace is roaring,

We have no time to spare.

Let the tears of the widow fall on this worthless clay;

To h— with the orphan, to h— with the man,

To h— with the judgment day.

—Miner's Magazine.

In Memoriam.

Resolutions adopted by Local No. 46, of Lowell, Mass., Oct. 4th, 1900:

Whereas, It has pleased God, in his infinite wisdom, through his earthly messenger, inexorable death, to visit us and remove from our midst our esteemed Bro. Patrick F. Reading; and

Whereas, The intimate relations held during an electrical and social career by our deceased brother with members of this union makes it our solemn duty to express our esteem for his manly worth and deep sorrow at the loss, and of the still heavier loss sustained by those nearest and dearest to him; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the sudden removal of such a brother from our midst leaves a vacancy and shadow that will be deeply felt by all members of the union and his friends. That in deep sympathy with the afflicted relatives of our deceased brother we express an earnest hope that even so great a bereavement may be overruled for their greatest good, and we bow in humble submission to God's will; and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes, our charter be draped for a period of thirty days as a testimonial of the respect and esteem in which our late brother was held by his fellow members, that an engrossed copy be presented to the bereaved family of our deceased brother, and copies be forwarded to our official journal and daily papers for publication.

M. J. QUINN,
L. W. HALL,
JAS. BARRETT,
Committee.

The following resolutions were adopted by Local union No. 41; I. B. E. W., on the death of our worthy brother, J. Chester Thompson:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, through his earthly messenger, inexorable death, to visit us and under extremely sad circumstances remove from our midst our esteemed Bro. J. Chester Thompson, and

Whereas, In life he was possessed of a character beyond reproach, worthy of every confidence and justice was by him accorded to all men; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, as an organization, in brotherly love pay tribute to his memory by expressing our sorrow at his loss and bow in humble submission to the will of an All-wise God; and be it further

Resolved, That we drape our charter for thirty days as a token of respect for our esteemed brother, and be it further

Resolved, That the union does hereby extend to the family and relatives of our deceased brother the heartfelt sympathy of each and every member thereof in their

great bereavement and irrecoverable loss, and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this local union and that a copy be forwarded to the family of our deceased brother.

H. M. SCOTT,
L. THIPPERMAN,
A. CUNNINGHAM,
Committee.

At the regular meeting of Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, No. 56, held last Tuesday evening, the following resolutions were adopted in respect to the memory of D. Roy Smith:

Whereas, It has pleased God, in his infinite wisdom, through his earthly messenger, inexorable death, to visit us and remove from our midst our esteemed brother, D. Roy Smith, and,

Whereas, The intimate relations held during an electrical and social career by our deceased brother with members of this union makes it our solemn duty to express our esteem for his manly worth and deep sorrow at the loss, and of the still heavier loss sustained by those nearest and dearest to him; therefore be it

Resolved, That the sudden removal of such a brother from our midst leaves a vacancy and shadow that will be deeply felt by all members of the union and his friends; that in deep sympathy with the afflicted relatives of our deceased brother we express an earnest hope that even so great a bereavement may be overruled for their greatest good, and we bow in humble submission to God's will; and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes, our charter be draped for a period of thirty days as a testimonial of the respect and esteem in which our late brother was held by his fellow members, that an engrossed copy be presented to the bereaved family of our deceased brother, and a copy be forwarded to our official journal and daily papers for publication.

JOHN DONAHUE,
JAMES KELLEY,
L. E. CARSON,
J. LYON,
F. M. SEAMAN,
Committee.

Resolutions adopted by Local No. 17, I. B. E. W.:

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom, has removed from this life our esteemed Bro. Charles Rowe; therefore be it

Resolved, That Local No. 17 through this organization, extends to his bereaved relatives our heartfelt sympathy in this sad hour of their bereavement, and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, a copy presented to his sorrowing relatives, and also that

they be published in our official journal, the Electrical Worker.

G. BURNS,
R. SCANLON,
D. E. ELLSWORTH,
Committee.

CARD OF THANKS.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 26, 1900.

To my many kind friends:—

As it would be impossible for me to write all personally, I take this advantage of writing through the Worker to inform all who do not know of my misfortune which befell me on Feb'y 14th last at Rusk, Tex., where I had 286 square inches of flesh burnt from my body and have since laid at death's door. I am now, however, out of danger but am far from well, being all drawn over and my right leg and arm are so badly drawn from the fire that they will have to be operated on before I will regain the use of same. I suffer terribly still and would have a very hard time of it were it not for the fact that the good brothers here in St. Louis have come nobly to my rescue unsolicited. Among many things done for me was a raffle gotten up for me which took place last Saturday, Sept. 22nd, and from which I derived \$26.50, which, with other assistance given me by the boys, will go to defraying my expenses to California, where I will remain under treatment until well, which I hope to be by spring.

To Bro. Jack Manson and brothers of Local No. 3 do I especially tender thanks for their kindness to me; also Bro. Mike White and brothers of Local No. 9 during my short stay in Chicago. Thanking one and all for their extreme kindness to me, I am, gratefully, with best wishes to one and all,

Respectfully,

HARRY D. PARSONS.

EXPRESSIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

By Local Union No. 27 of Baltimore, Md.:

Died, at his residence, 45 Montgomery street, Sept. 26, 1900, a true and devoted brother, John Maybery, aged 32 years. Seldom have we been called upon to note the death in our local of one so generally lamented as our dear brother. He was a magnificent specimen of humanity, possessed of a rare sweet disposition and purity of heart. He was one whom to meet and become acquainted with was to love. He was an active, consistent, devoted member of our local and a leading spirit in work pertaining to the good or advancement of our union, quiet and calm yet firm, true and conscientious in his convictions. He commanded the love and respect of all who knew him. His many good acts will follow him, and in years to come we will look back through the long vista of unfor-

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gotten memories and think of him for the example left behind.

"Simply to 27 I cling" was his grand motto during our late strike, and his short life as brother of the electrical workers. Not for himself, but for his dear companions he seemed to live, and the weary in heart was sure to meet with kind and earnest words of sympathy when seeking his aid. The large attendance at his funeral and the floral offerings evidenced the respect and esteem in which he was held.

The calla lilies which nestled sweetly on his folded hands were not purer than the spirit which winged its way to God and rest. His goodness and purity will long be remembered and the tender memories engraven on the hearts of all that knew him will last evermore. We bid him a sad farewell and dropped a tear of deep regret over the grave of our lost friend. His mission is ended, his life's work done, and he sweetly sleeps beneath the raindrops and wild daisies under the shadow of the great oaks. To his grief-stricken dear one and friends, we extend our heartfelt sympathy, reminding them that words of consolation from us can never heal the wounded heart. Only Jesus, the healer of all ills, can give that comfort which falls as softly on the weary heart as the dewdrops on the summer flowers, making us in the years to come happy and contented to

wait until the summons shall come for us to go where the weary are at rest and partings are no more, by

BRO. W. A. KEMP.

FROM A MEMBER OF NO. 56.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As it has been quiet a while since I have written anything for the Worker, I will make one more stab at it, if you are willing. Things are pretty slow in this neck of the woods at present, and if Col. Jim Bonnett was not here from Pittsburgh doing the taking down work for the W. U. T. Co. there would be a few of us looking wise for a job. Right here let me whisper something about that band of fixers, they are all organized. That goes without saying, or they would not hop any stumps for Col. Jim, but the talent, that is what I want to get at—first, we have Clara Murphy, who has given up the Michigan circuit for a few days, and when she gets a hold of one of them big ones at Casey's after work and raises her peerless contralto voice and sings "The Gunner From Galway," every one is rooted to the spot. Next we have the great and only Mr. Bones Kennedy in his specialty entitled "Driven to Drink, or Why I Wear Old Clothes." Next we have Hot-Air Jimmie, who is grand announcer, and gives a lecture on electric lighting

every time he gets a chance. He can get backing for any amount in this specialty, H. H. H. H. Hicks of Cleveland not barred. We would like to hear from his business manager, Mr. Cy. Gecther, in regard to this, as Jimmie has got a wireless transformer which we think will revolutionize electric lighting. We are also ably assisted by Bro. Cal. Moore, who has come from the mountains to the lakeside as he is a fresh-air child and could not stand the big smoky town any longer. Well when that bunch sings in the shadow of the pine, the audience just goes wild with delight and every one in the Moore house is crazy to hear it and I think they must be.

Billy Brown came in on a Pullman from Detroit the other day and is assisting Papa Andrews to cut them in the duck. He has got a lot of trained flies and gives a very clever exhibition with them every night. No. 56 is still doing a good business, but we had the bad luck to lose a brother last Saturday on an alternator. I will leave this for the press secretary to tell.

The boys are all doing a little, though we have some insidemen pressing brick, but I understand they are watching the Pan-American. Would like to hear from Cosgrove and Doc Hani, as all the boys are asking about them.

Say, Kid Giles, your baby in Weigle town misses you very much.

Well, hoping I haven't overloaded the machine, I guess I will cut it out and remain,
Yours respectfully,

THE SPLICER.

THE FRIENDLY HAND.

James Whitcomb Riley.

When a man ain't got a cent, an' he's feelin' kind o' blue,
An' the clouds hang dark and heavy, an' won't let the sunshine through,
It's a great thing, O my brethren, for a feller just to lay
His hand upon your shoulder in a friendly sort o' way!

It makes a man feel curious; it makes the tear drops start,
An' you sort o' feel a flutter in the region of your heart.
You can't look up an' meet his eyes; you don't know what to say,
When his hand is on your shoulder in a friendly sort o' way.

Oh, the world's a curious compound, with its honey an' its gall,
With its care an' bitter crosses; but a good world, after all.
An' a good God must have made it—least-ways that's what I say
When a hand rests on my shoulder in a friendly sort o' way.

For the purpose of this article it may be said that the human family in its hopes, expectations and desires, is practically the same regardless of how differently we may be situated. "Self-preservation is the first law of nature." While all are struggling in this selfish world for the best that they can get regardless of what station or walk of life fall to our lot, no one should rest secure in the belief that their condition is safe. If your union is strong and well organized do not sit supinely in idleness under the false delusion that you are safe. Remember that the boss is looking for the opportunity always to get more and more of the profits and that your time may come at any time. Attend the meetings. Help in the work of label agitation. See that the interests of your union are properly conducted and your interests properly looked after. Stop kicking over trifles and making faces at this officer or that man and put a shoulder to the wheel and do your share to make the union safe and stable. If things do not just go to suit you remember that the other fellow has opinions and the right to state them and that we are not all alike in our ideas. Remember that we all have faults and none of us are perfect, and that those who pretend to be are usually impostors. A good, honest kicker is all right, but the fellow who insinuates and makes mysterious remarks against his fellowmen is a cur at heart, and in nine cases out of ten is dishonest in the bargain, and the only

reason that he has not been found out as such is because he has never had a chance to show his real character. The latter specie of the "knocker" brigade is a good kind of an animal to let alone.—Labor Journal.

WHILE OTHERS STARVE.

A four-months-old baby in New York, a granddaughter of Bonanza King Mackay, has six servants to attend to her daily wants. Besides two trained nurses, a matron of the nursery, a French maid, a special laundress and a coachman, the dainty child has an Alderney cow which is cared for by two men having no other duties to perform. The child has a \$1,500 point-lace coat, and one of her jewels is worth \$15,000. If no other babies come in her way she will inherit a fortune of \$50,000,000.

And thousands of other babies are starving in New York because there is too little nourishment in their emaciated bodies to give them life.

Still another New York child, the \$35,000,000 daughter of Street Railway Magnate Whitney, has forty new dresses and has had her menageries of animals removed to Newport to amuse her during the summer.

The grandfathers of these pampered pets secured privileges and acquired wealth that rightly belonged to the public. That is why other babies are hungry.—Citizen and country.



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*No. 7, Springfield, Mass.—Meets every Wednesday at room 14 Barnes Bldg. Pres., C. F. Sampson, 53 Lebanon st.; R. S., W. F. Kavanaugh, P. O. Box 54, Merrick, Mass.; F. S., D. B. Abgreen, 276 Hancock st.

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†No. 14, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Meets every Sunday in Moorehead Hall, 2nd ave. and Grant st. Pres., James Burgess, 1019 Coal st.; Wilkinsburg; K. S., J. F. St. Clair, Hamilton Hotel, Pittsburgh; F. S., D. D. McKay, 449 Rebecca st., Alleghany.

†No. 15, Jersey City, N. J.—1st and 3d Mondays in Humboldt hall, 156 Newark av. Pres. W. A. Gross, 491 Palisade av.; W. Hoboken, N. J.; R. S., C. E. Bessel, 228½ 3rd st.; Jersey City; F. S., Geo. H. Roehrs, 709 Willow av., Hoboken, N. J.

*No. 16, Evansville, Ind.—Meets every other Wednesday over Germania Hall, Up. Eighth st. Pres., E. T. Mitchell, 618 Up. 8th st.; R. S., C. G. Kern, 16 L. 5th st.; M. S., L. Riggs, 1913 East Franklin st.

*No. 17, Detroit, Mich.—Meets every Monday night at 9 Cadillac square. Pres., W. J. Malone, 145 National ave.; R. S., G. H. Brown, 50 Chester av.; F. S., E. Hawes, 758 Champlain st.

†No. 18, Kansas City, Mo.—Meets every Wednesday at Labor Headquarters, 823-5 Central st. Pres., J. F. Maudeville, 425 W. 14th st.; R. S., Junior Parrish, 744 Oak st.; F. S., C. E. Jackson, 303 E. 14th st.

*No. 19, Atchison, Kan.—Meets every Tuesday at Electrical Workers Hall, 710 Main st. Pres., F. J. Keith, Atchison, Kan.; R. S., Hugo Walters, Atchison, Kan.; F. S., J. C. Sweeney, Atchison, Kan.

†No. 20, New York City.—Meets every Tuesday night in Military Hall, 193 Bowery. Pres., C. A. Elmore, 1312 Garden st., Hoboken, N. J.; R. S., C. O. Gerhart, 149 Lawrence st., Brooklyn, N. Y.; F. S., H. K. Hallam, 358 14th st., Hoboken, N. J.

†No. 21, Philadelphia, Pa.—Meets every Friday in Hancock Hall, 814 Girard ave. Pres., Wm. McFadden, 3365 Melrose st.; R. S., James Birmingham, 3235 Fairhill st.; F. S., Wm. Godshall, 2549 Hutchinson st.

*No. 22, Omaha, Neb.—Meets every Wednesday at Labor Temple, 17th & Douglas sts. Pres., W. P. Leedom, 2418 N. 17th st.; R. S., G. E. Russell, 2544 Reese st.; F. S., W. J. Wales, box 555.

*No. 23, St. Paul, Minn.—1st and 3d Mondays, Assembly hall, 3d and Wabasha. Pres., P. J. Marnard, 141 12th st.; R. S., S. W. Manning, 466 Farrington av.; F. S., W. B. Tubbesing, 447 Martin st.

*No. 24, Minneapolis, Minn.—Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays at Alexander's Hall, 38 So. 6th st. Pres., John J. Reynolds, 1815 So. 4th ave.; R. S., Chas. Coe, 24 So. 11th st.; F. S., F. E. Lester, 183 So. 9th st.

*No. 25, Terre Haute, Ind.—Meets 1st and 3d Thursdays at C. L. U. Hall. Pres., Harry Beledros, Terre Haute; R. S., Fred Miller, 1368 Poplar st.; F. S., Lee Dickerson, 1601 College ave.

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*No. 33, New Castle, Pa.—Meets every other Monday night in the Clendening Block.—Pres., George Stephenson, E. North st.; R. S., James B. Dygert, 178 Barbour st., Croton, Pa.; F. S., John M. Caskey, 19 S. Pine st.

*No. 34, Peoria, Ill.—Meets 2d and 4th Mondays in Meier's Hall, 1313 South Adams st. Pres., N. Deworth, 916 Smith st.; R. S., C. S. Kittinging, 413½ First st.; F. S., C. Brandt, 328 Howard st.

*No. 35, Massillon, Ohio.—Pres. H. Munin; F. S., C. C. Miller, 202 E. South st.

*No. 36, Sacramento, Cal.—2d and 4th Tuesdays in Federated Trades Hall, 1013 10th st. Pres., J. J. Scott, 666½ J st.; R. S., C. W. Beaton, 716 P st.; F. S., D. D. Dickie, 2025 J st.

*No. 37, Hartford, Conn.—Meets every Friday at Central Labor Union Hall, 747 Main st. Pres., Maurice P. Sullivan 177 Asylum st.; R. S., F. J. Sheehan, 3 Central Row; P. S., J. J. Tracy, 58 Temple st.

†No. 38, Cleveland, O.—Meets every Tuesday in Engineers' Hall, 120 Superior, between Water and Bank sts. Pres., F. C. Hegner, 14 Mason st.; R. S., E. B. Horne, 50 Outwaite st.; F. S., Wm. Dixon, 118 Olive st.

*No. 39, Cleveland, O.—Pres. Martin Durkin, 328 Waverley ave.; R. S., Frank J. Sullivan, 24 Chatham st.; F. S., A. W. McIntyre, 328 Waverley ave.

*No. 40, St. Joseph, Mo.—Meets every Thursday night in Building Trades Council Hall, cor. 5th and Francis sts. Pres., Jas. W. Gates, 907 N. 6th st.; R. S., Wm. Dorsel, 1710 Calhoun st.; F. S., W. H. H. Tucker, 1035 Scott st.

†No. 41, Buffalo, N. Y.—Meets every Wednesday at Council Hall, Huron and Ellicott sts. Pres., Jno. O'Connell, 614 Fargo ave.; R. S., L. Whippman, 836 Jefferson st.; F. S., H. M. Scott, 646 Virginia st.

*No. 42, Utica, N. Y.—1st and 3rd Fridays in Labor temple, 18 Hotel st. Pres., J. Nelson, R. S., H. Vanderbogert, 7 Addington ave.; F. S., Frank Brigham, 116 Dudley av.

†No. 43, Syracuse, N. Y., Inside Wiremen.—Meet in Myers Hall cor. Montgomery and East Genesee sts., second and fourth Fridays. Pres., John Kerwin, 311 Oswego st.; R. S., E. W. Lewis, 1320 S. State st.; F. S., Geo. A. Davenport, 203 Ontario st.

†No. 44, Rochester, N. Y.—Every Tuesday in Durand bldg., W. Main st., room 16. Pres., John Haley, Home Telephone Co.; R. S., M. Warner, 18 Ford st.; F. S., Wm. Carroll, 457 State st., Room 14.

†No. 45, Buffalo, N. Y.—3d and 4th Saturdays at 15½ Swan st. Pres., Wm. Haley, 9 Sycamore st.; R. S., S. C. McKee, 396 Amherst st.; F. S., J. Carney, 19 Lester st.

*No. 46, Lowell, Mass.—Meets every Thursday evening in Engineers' Hall, Wyman's Ex. Bldg., Central and Merrimac sts. Pres., H. F. Harding, 38 E. Pine st.; R. S., John H. O'Connor, 121 Pleasant st.; F. S., Lester G. Hall, box 292.

*No. 47, Sioux City, Ia.—Pres. J. J. Sullivan, 1701 Center st.; R. S., C. H. Lingren, 814 West 4th st.; F. S., W. F. Truax, Union Elec. Co.

*No. 48, Richmond, Va.—Meets 1st and 3d Saturdays in Thon's Hall, 17th and Main sts. Pres., Douglas Eaton, 804 N. 26th st.; R. S., F. A. Fry, 608½ China st.; F. S., A. L. Puckett, 113 E. 8th st., Manchester, Va.

†No. 49, Chicago, Ill.—Meets every Second and Fourth Thursday in Sam T. Jack's Bldg., 81 E. Madison st., Hall 6. Pres., W. J. Callinan, 35 E. 16th st.; R. S., F. H. Prince, 444 W. Lake st.; F. S., James Byrne, 4600 Lake ave.

*No. 50, Belleville, Ill.—Pres. Jno. Crisman; R. S. Geo. Brosins; F. S. H. Christian, 103 E. Main st.

†No. 51, Pittsburgh, Pa.—1st Sunday and 2d, 3d and 4th Thursday at Electrical Workers' hall, 320 4th av. Pres., A. W. Thompson, 22 Brighton pl., Allegheny; R. S., G. E. Moore, 1412 Irwin ave., Allegheny; F. S., P. F. Corcoran, P. O. Box 545, McKee's Rocks.

†No. 52, Newark, N. J.—Meets 2d and 4th Mondays in Wood's Bldg., 118 Market st. Pres., William J. Gough, 19 Kensington ave., E. Orange, N. J.; R. S., Fred Joerg, 5 Webster st., Newark, N. J.; F. S., Arthur H. Thomas, 43 Portland place, Montclair, N. J.

*No. 53, Harrisburg, Pa.—Meets every Tuesday evening in hall on Myrtle ave., in rear of 257 N. St. Pres., C. A. Swager, 627 Forster st.; R. S., Jas. P. Ruinger, 15 N. 15th st.; F. S., Carl A. E. Anderson, 45 Summit st.

*No. 54, Columbus, O.—Meets every Wednesday evening at Hellermans Hall, 180½ E. Town st. Pres., W. R. Kneeland, 71½ N. High st.; R. S., J. A. Frambles, 2390 Apple st.; F. S., Wm. Creviston, 266 E. Main st.

*No. 55, Des Moines, Ia.—Meets every Thursday night at Trades Assembly Hall. Pres., Jas. Martin, 1022 4th st.; R. S., James Fitzpatrick, 1924 Lynes st.; F. S., Thomas Fitzpatrick, 775 10th st.

*No. 56, Erie, Pa.—Meets 1st, 3d and 5th Tuesdays in Woodman's Hall, 9th and State sts. Pres., Ed. O'Day; R. S., J. L. Hampel, 555 W. 3d st.; F. S., F. Morey, 314 W. 12th st.

*No. 57, Salt Lake City, Utah—Meets every Tuesday in Federation of Labor Hall, 2d South Bk., Main and W. Temple sts. Pres., W. W. Moore, 266 North 6th st. West; R. S., J. Foster, 32 S. 2nd st. East; F. S., J. F. Buckley, 449 W. 1st st. North.

*No. 58, Niagara, Falls, N. Y.—Meets 2d and fourth Monday in Odd Fellows' Hall. Pres., W. C. Barber; R. S., Charles Mingay, 103 Ninth st.; F. S., W. H. Peterkin, 2737 Pierce ave.

†No. 59, Chicago, Ill.—Meets every other Saturday at Koch's hall, 104 Randolph st. Pres. J. H. Maloney, 222 Albany av.; R. S., Thos. P. Cummings, 492 Rice st.; F. S., F. E. Farnham, 35 E. 29th st.

*No. 60, San Antonio, Tex.—Meets 1st and 4th Saturdays at the old Court House, Soledad street. Pres., Martin Wright, Schuirth & Co.; R. S., Wm. Keller, Dubinski Electric Co.; F. S., Matt E. McElroy, 916 Buena Vista st.

*No. 61, Los Angeles, Cal.—Meets every Thursday in United Council of Labor Hall, 112½ W. 3d st. Pres., Chas. Bailey, 935 Stanford ave.; R. S., M. B. Davidson, 627 Crocker st.; F. S., C. E. Smith 773 Ceres ave.

*No. 62, Youngstown, O.—Pres. W. E. Wiseman, 700 S. Market st.; R. S., W. H. Griffith, 212 W. Wood st.; F. S., W. H. Buzard, 534 Duquesne st.

*No. 63, Warren, Pa.—Meets 1st and 3d Wednesdays at D. O. H. Hall, cor. 2d and Liberty sts. Pres., Chas. Wright, Buchanan st.; R. S., C. S. Burkett, 413 R Water st.; F. S., N. H. Spencer, Rogers Bk.

*No. 64, Oakland, Cal.—2d and 4th Fridays in California hall, Clay st. Pres., A. E. Ross, 1010½ Washington st.; R. S., H. P. Renton, 867 19th st.; F. S., Chas. L. Bell, 44 San Pablo av.

*No. 65, Butte, Mont.—Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays in Engineers' hall, Owsley bldg. Pres., Jas. F. Davidson, Room 64, Owsley Bldg.; R. S. & F. S., W. C. Medhurst, P. O. Box 846.

*No. 66, Houston, Tex.—Meets 1st and 3d Monday nights and 2d and 4th Sunday afternoons in Odd Fellows' Hall, Mason Bk., Main and Rush sts. Pres., W. D. Caywood, 1413 Franklin st.; R. S., C. T. McIntyre, 1017 Houston ave.; F. S., R. R. Tripp, 2299 Fannin st.

*No. 67, Quincy, Ill.—Meets 2d and 4th Thursdays at Trades Assembly hall, 111½ S 5th st. Pres. Bert Simmonds, 722 York st.; R. S., J. H. Nessler, 527 N. 10th st.; F. S., C. H. McNemee, 511 S 7th st.

*No. 68, Denver, Col.—Every Tuesday in room 613 Charles blk, 15th and Curtis. Pres. F. F. Miller, 444 So. 10th st.; R. S., W. S. Earhart, 1045 W. 7th ave.; F. S., C. B. Thora, 244 Lafayette st.

*No. 69, Dallas, Tex.—Meets every Wednesday night at Labor Temple, Main and Akard sts. Pres. Frank Swor, 156 Camp st.; R. S., Joe Wilkerson, 124 Bryant st.; F. S., H. E. Cooper, 124 Bryant st.

*No. 70, Cripple Creek, Col.—Meets every Wednesday in Elect. Workers' Hall, Fairley & Lampman Bk. Pres. H. Teele; R. S., J. E. Hicks, P. O. Box 684; F. S., R. P. Steen, P. O. Box 684.

*No. 71, Quebec, Prov. of Que.—Meets every Friday night in Montcalm Market Hall, John st. Pres. G. W. Burrette, 146 St. Patrick st.; R. S., E. L. Heurcaus, 82 St. George st.; F. S., J. J. Fleming, 52 King st.

*No. 72, Waco, Tex.—Meets second and fourth Wednesday nights at Labor Hall, 8th and Franklin sts. Pres. C. C. Dickson, 514 S. 4th st.; R. S., A. S. Rutledge, 202 S. 3d st.; F. S., Joseph Hodges, 1602 North 5th street.

*No. 73, Spokane, Wash.—2d and 4th Fridays in Hddy hall, N Monroe st. Pres. E. C. Hensley, 218 Riverside st.; R. S., Geo. Denman, 418 S. Washington st.; F. S., W. A. Davis, 0715 Jefferson st.

*No. 74, Winona, Minn.—Pres. Sam Atmore, 463 Dakota st.; R. S., J. P. Fromm, 510 Olmstead st.; F. S., H. B. Kline, 510 Olmstead st.

*No. 75, Grand Rapids, Mich.—1st & 3d Wednesdays in C. L. U. hall, 34 Canal st. Pres. F. A. Gunnell, 6 Tunes av; R. S., Jos. Newman, Jr., 26 Kennedy st.; F. S., C. E. Post, 88 Sibley st.

*No. 76, Tacoma, Wash.—1st and 2d Tuesdays in Foresters' hall, 11th and Pacific av. Pres. D. V. Peterson; R. S., J. Murphy, 312 E. 25th st.; F. S., E. Ripley.

Murray, 1134 S D st; R. S., E. P. Conklin, 3722 S L st; F. S., F. A. Todd, 3713 S L st

*No. 77, Seattle, Wash.—Meets every 1st and 3d Saturday in A. O. U. W. Hall, 1st ave. and James st. Pres. Chas. E. Eaton, 2415 Western ave.; R. S., Geo. R. Cooley, 418 Lenora st.; F. S., G. G. Jenkins, 1215 1st ave.

*No. 78, Chicago, Ill.—2d and 4th Friday in Fitzgerald's hall, cor Halsted and Adams sts. Pres. G. W. LeVin, 1551 Carroll av; R. S., Wm T. Toner, 1479 W. Ohio st; F. S., George H. Foltz, 351 W Adams st

*No. 79, Syracuse, N. Y.—Pres. Daniel Cambridge, 110 Madison st.; R. S., Edw. Gvatt, 1 Crouse Bk; F. S., Chas. Brand, 410 Showward st.

*No. 80, Norfolk, Va.—Every Friday in Central Labor Union hall, City Hall av and Bank st. Pres. L. G. Fowler, 116 Willoughby ave.; R. S., W. M. Burk, So. Bell Tel. Co., Portsmouth; F. S., B. F. Haines, So. Bell Tel. Co., Portsmouth.

*No. 81, Scranton, Pa.—Meets every Monday in Cassese's hall, Lackawanna av. Pres. J. D. Smith, 1106 S Washington av; R. S., T. B. Sturdevant; F. S., E. B. Archibald, 702 Prescott av.

*No. 82, Binghamton, N. Y.—Meets 1st and 3d Fridays in C. L. U. hall, State st. Pres. G. Milks, 24 Derussey st; R. S., L. W. Thompson, St. John ave.; F. S., P. W. Kromer, 104 Prospect st.

*No. 83, Milwaukee, Wis.—Every Wednesday, cor 3d and Prairie sts. Pres. Edward Woodart, 143 8th st.; R. S., Otto Nichols, 523 Jackson st; F. S., O. Wallath, 132 Ogden ave.

*No. 84, Atlanta, Ga.—Meets every Thursday 730 p. m. in Fed of Trades hall, 14½ N. Forsyth st. Pres. W. F. Johnson, 112 Kirkwood ave.; R. S., C. F. McBriord, So. Bell Tel. & Tel. Co.; F. S., B. L. Martin, 322 W. 5th st

*No. 85, Augusta, Ga.—Meets Sunday afternoon at Kidwell's Hall, 15th st. and May av. Pres. B. Mitchell, 1420 Marbury st; R. S., H. E. Lingel, 1026½ Broad st; F. S., T. H. Tyce, 929 Kollock st.

*No. 86, Rochester, N. Y.—Meets every Tuesday in room 24, Durand bldg., 58 W. Main st. Pres. J. F. Forristal, 14 Jones st.; R. S., H. N. Smith, 42 Wellington ave.; F. S., A. L. Dennison, 14 Baldwin st.

*No. 87, Newark, N. J.—Every Friday at 37 Market st. Pres. M. J. Breslin, 58 Center st., Orange, N. J.; R. S., John J. Marquardt, 377 Bloomfield av., Montclair, N. J.; F. S., Wm. Mungy, Ashland ave., W. Orange, P. O. Box 93.

*No. 88, Savannah, Ga.—Every Thursday in Labor hall, cor Abecorn and Bryan sts. Pres. J. D. Butler, 308 Duffy st. west; R. S., H. E. Lingel, 127 Habersham st.; F. S., E. J. McDonald, 109 Mac-Donough st. east.

*No. 89, Akron, O.—Meets in Carpenters' Hall, S. Howard st. Pres. J. A. Townsend, 531 W. Exchange st.; R. S., M. W. Jennings, 310 N. Maple st.; F. S., C. E. Miller, 307 E. Mill st.

*No. 90, New Haven, Ct.—Meets every Saturday in Forester's Hall, 781 Chapel st. Pres. S. Johnson, 63 Derby ave.; R. S., C. M. Preston, 77 Maltby st.; F. S., F. Tanner, 156 Congress ave.

*No. 91, Easton, Pa.—1st and 3d Sunday afternoons in Jr. O. U. A. M. hall, cor. 7th and Northampton sts. Pres. Milton Moser, 55 North Sitgreaves st.; R. S., Geo. Van Billiard, 311 Spruce st.; F. S., Edwin Welch, 123 South 4th st.

*No. 92, Charleston, S. C.—2d and last Friday in Irish Volunteers' hall, Vanderhous st near King. Pres. J. O. Mission, 12 Horibacks alley; R. S., J. J. Buero, 17 Inspection st; F. S., K. B. Bell, 97 Smith st

*No. 93, Ottawa, Ont.—2d and 4th Friday in Foresters' hall, 474½ Sussex st. Pres. Wm. Roy; R. S., S. R. McDonald, 313 Maria st.; F. S., H. Demers, 75 St Andrews st.

*No. 94, Holyoke, Mass.—Meets every Monday in Marble Hall, High st., cor. Dwight. Pres. P. B. Lombard, with K. T. Oakes & Co.; R. S., C. Mixner, Canal st.; F. S., K. J. Dixon, N. H. Tel. & Tel. Co.

*No. 95, Joplin, Mo.—Every Tuesday in Labor Union hall, 2d and Main sts. Pres. B. A. Stephens, Southwest Mo Ld Co; R. S., Arthur Manning; F. S., James A. Foster, 220 E. 2d st.

*No. 96, Worcester, Mass.—Meets every Monday evening in room 23, Day Bldg., 348 Main st. Pres. S. A. Straub, 72 Russell st; R. S., A. E. Goodwin, 71 Paine st; F. S., W. D. Patterson, 1 Wilcox Bk.

*No. 97, Bradford, Pa.—1st and 3d Thursdays in Malta hall. Pres. John Moore, 1 Barry ave., Bradford, Pa; R. S., John Ballard, 118 Congress st; F. S., F. L. Hall, 188 Corydon st

*No. 98, Philadelphia Pa.—Every Tuesday in Odd Fellows' Temple, Broad and Cherry sts. Pres. Louis F. Spence, 1538 Mantion st; R. S., C. W. Elliott, 2320 Van Pelt st; F. S., W. A. J. Guscott, 1018 Arizona st

*No. 99, Providence, R. I.—Meets 1st and 3d Mondays in Odd Fellows' Hall, 27 N. Main st. Pres. John J. Menetto, 33 Lafayette st., Pawtucket; R. S., A. P. Barry, 18 Wheaton st.; F. S., W. E. Sedgley, 28 Bradford st.

*No. 100, Jacksonville, Fla.—Pres., J. H. Mays, S. Bell Tel. Co.; F. S., A. B. Kitchen, S. Bell Tel.

*No. 101, Brockton, Mass.—Every 2d and 4th Friday in Gardner blk, Center st. Pres. John McNeil, 65 High st.; R. S., Marshall Stevens, 77 East Elm st.; F. S., Chas. Wilbur, 152 School st.

*No. 102, Paterson, N. J.—Meets 1st and 3d Tuesday in Loomfixers' Hall, Market and Church sts. Pres. A. B. McPherson, Lakeview, N. J.; R. S., F. W. Sweeney, 348 Grand st.; F. S., Jno. Eldridge, 348 Grand st.

*No. 103, Boston, Mass.—Every Wednesday in St. Andrews Hall, Wells Memorial Bldg. Pres. L. W. E. Kimball, 21 Arcadia st, Dorchester; R. S., J. J. McLaughlin, 213 Manerick st, E. Boston; F. S., Ernest H. Chase, 19 Allison sq, Alston

*No. 104, Boston, Mass.—Every Wednesday in Machinists' hall, 987 Washington st. Pres. M. Birmingham, 44 Winship st, Brighton; R. S., Geo. A. Fauner, 605 Washington st, Newtonville; F. S., R. H. Bradford, 268 River st., Cambridge, Mass.

*No. 105, Hamilton, Ont.—2d and 4th Thursdays in Trades and Labor Hall, 17 Main st. east. Pres. J. R. Mitchell, 138 Brtdalbane st; R. S., C. F. Schwab, 15 Bruce st; F. S., B. Bristol, 169 Jackson st. East.

*No. 106, Jamestown, N. Y.—2d and 4th Thursday in Central Labor hall, East 3d st. Pres. K. W. Spencer, 214 Fulton st.; R. S., J. W. Woodburn, Lakewood N. Y.; F. S., W. B. Lancaster, West 3d st. St. Car Barn.

*No. 107, Louisville, Ky.—Meets 1st and 3d Thursdays in Reeb's Union Hall, 510 5th st. Pres. John C. Deibel, 418 15th st.; R. S., J. C. Stewart, 108 East Chestnut st.; F. S., Wm. H. Smith, 613 Jackson st.

*No. 108, Tampa, Fla.—Every Saturday in Carpenters' hall, 1712 Franklin st. Pres. John F. Vaughan, 904 Twigg st; R. S., Geo. Bartholomew, 613 7th Ave; F. S., David H. Starr, 601 Madison st

*No. 109, Rock Island, Ill.—1st and 3d Tuesdays in Industrial Home Bldg., 30 Ave and 21st st. Pres. J. T. Marron, 1405 5th ave.; R. S., J. J. Murphy, Lock Box 328 or 1322 6th ave.; F. S., W. C. Bloom, 318 W. Third st., Davenport, Ia.

*No. 110, Pensacola, Fla.—1st and 3rd Wednesdays, Trades Council hall, 23 W. Government st. Pres. P. R. Pearl, Gen'l Delivery; R. S., A. L. Stanley, care of "News"; F. S., A. Hearn, So. Tel. & Tel. Co.

*No. 111, Montreal, Can.—2d and 4th Thursday in St. Josephs hall, cor. St. Catherine and St. Elizabeth sts. Pres. T. B. Bradford, 250 E. 2nd st; R. S., J. C. Green, 41 St. Monique st; F. S., A. Courchene, 601 Rivard st

*No. 112, Watertown, N. Y.—Pres. H. C. Bundy, 2 Center st; F. S., R. M. Richardson, 19 Mundy st

*No. 113, Colorado Springs, Colo.—Meets 1st and 3d Mondays. Pres. Frank Karus; R. S., J. E. Jeannet; F. S., A. Peters, Manitou.

*No. 114, Toronto, Can.—Meets 2d and 4th Fridays in Richmond hall, Richmond st. W. Pres. H. J. Hurd, 670 E. Queen st. E.; R. S., Ken. A. McRae, 166 Argyle st; F. S., G. H. Parcier, 65 Landsdown ave.

*No. 115, Austin, Tex.—Meets 2d and 4th Wednesdays in Carpenter's Union Hall, over 706 Cong. ave. Pres. R. L. Watson, 3600 Gaudilupe st; R. S., H. Raymond; F. S., B. F. McDersid, 200 E. 16th st.

*No. 116, Columbus, Ga.—F. S., G. B. Young Jr, Southern Bell Tel. Co

*No. 117, Paducah, Ky.—Every Saturday night, Rodius Hall, South 3d st. Pres. H. G. Meyers, 220 S. 4th st; R. S., Oney May, 15th and Brody; F. S., Jesse L. Hall, 220 S. 4th st.

*No. 118, Dayton, O.—Meets every Monday in Room 34, Davies' Bldg., cor. Fourth and Main sts. F. S., D. P. Albright, room 51, Louis block.

*No. 119, Newport News, Va.—Every Wednesday in Patterson hall, Washington ave. and 32d st. Pres. Geo. Cross, 323 45th st.; R. S., R. H. Eves, 220 35th st.; F. S., F. F. Hodges, 3403 Lafayette ave.

*No. 120, London, Ont.—Meets 1st and 3d Fridays in Labor Hall, cor. Dufferin ave. and Maitland st. Pres. Wm. Cook; F. S., A. Aljorin, 62 Dundas st.

*No. 121, Denver, Col.—Meets every Monday night in Club Bldg., Arapahoe st., between 17th and 18th. Pres. James A. Reed, 1355 Santa Fee ave.; R. S., A. McMullin, 2921 Curtis st.; F. S., Frank Curigan.

*No. 122, Great Falls, Mont.—Meets every Thursday in Vaughn Hall, Central ave. Pres., L. E. Woodworth, B. & M. Smelter; R. S., M. Potec, 610 2d Ave S; F. S., S. C. Swartz, 11 Cobb Bldg.

*No. 123, Louisville, Ky.

*No. 124, Galveston, Tex.—Meets 2d and 4th Fridays in Cooks' and Waiters' Hall 23d st, bet. Market and Mechain sts. Pres., O. Lorenzo, 1606 23d st.; R. S., E. A. Schotts, 1914 35th st.; F. S., G. L. Garrett, 3305 Pk.

*No. 125, Portland, Ore.

*No. 126, Little Rock, Ark.—Meets 1st and 3d Tuesdays in Trades Council Hall, Markham and Main sts. Pres., A. D. McConnell, 1212 Battery st.; R. S., E. G. Ferrell, 811 La. st.; F. S., R. L. Crutchfield, 811 La. st.

*No. 127, Battle Creek, Mich.—R. S., H. G. Bowers, Hamblin Hotel.

*No. 128, Alton, Ill.—Meets every Monday in Miller's Hall, Second and Pissa sts. Pres. Edgar Rice, Second and Albany sts.; R. S. and F. S., Geo. E. Burton, Second and Albany sts.

*No. 129, St. Joseph, Mo.—Meets every Saturday at 215½ So. 6th st., Room 5, 2d floor. Pres., R. C. Hughes, Columbian Elect. Co.; R. S., Fred Miller, 215½ So. 6th st.; F. S., E. McComac, 217 So. 6th st.

*No. 130, New Orleans, La.—Meets 2d and 4th Wednesdays in P. O. S. A. Hall, Carondelet st., near Perdido. Pres., Thomas G. Ziegler, 1204 Lafayette st.; R. S., J. J. Cahill, 814 Poydras st.; F. S., Geo. W. Kendall, Jr., 2230 First st.

*No. 131, Columbia, S. C.—Pres., P. G. Loomis; R. S., J. H. Werne; F. S., F. D. Cooper.

*No. 132, Schenectady, N. Y.—Meets 1st and 3d Fridays in Trades Assembly Hall, 269 State st. Pres., G. Preston; R. S., W. W. Kline, 1129 State st.; F. S., C. A. Knight, 208 Clinton st.

*No. 133, Detroit, Mich.—Meets every Wednesday night at 252 Beaubien st. Pres., F. A. Wallon, 370 Gd. River ave.; R. S., J. A. Sherratt, 295 W. Canfield ave.; F. S., Geo. H. Jacob, 68 E. Milwaukee ave.

*No. 134, Chicago, Ill.—Meets every Tuesday night at 187 E. Washington st. Pres. C. A. Roff, 4743 State st.; R. S., O. M. George, 2056 Gladys ave.; F. S., F. J. Wemple, 5802 Union ave.

*No. 135, Trenton, N. J.—Meets every Monday at 223 N. Broad st. Pres., E. M. Anderson, 232 Mercer st.; R. S., F. L. Morris, 223 N. Broad st.; F. S., N. Mountford, 20 Popular st.

*No. 136, Birmingham, Ala.—Meets every Saturday in Bro of Loco. Engineers' Hall, 219½ 19th st. N. cor. ad Alley. Pres., C. M. Thompson, 2119 2d ave.; R. S., J. S. Lewis, Ensley; F. S., F. J. McCallum, 412 N. 16th st.

*No. 138, Ft. Wayne, Ind.—Meets every Thursday, Berry st., 3d floor. Pres., H. C. Eckels, 55 Riverside ave.; R. S., H. E. Wineland, 56 Wagner st.; F. S., C. O. Lohouse, 4 E. 5th st.

*No. 139, Shreveport, La.—Meets every Friday at Labor Council Hall, cor. Milan and Market sts. Pres. J. E. McGoldrick, 610 Marshall st.; R. S., Frank Lawrence, Texas ave.; F. S., J. E. Elliott, 1011 Spring st.

*No. 140, Pittsburg, Kan.—Pres., T. Cole; R. S., O. W. Donnelly; F. S., L. E. Eisman.

*No. 143, Conneaut, O.—Pres., E. J. Ryan; R. S., J. A. Moore; F. S., M. W. Hill.

*No. 144, Wichita, Kan.—Pres., C. W. Stinson, 209 N. Main st.; R. S., Geo. F. Tomlinson, Winfield, Kan.; F. S., J. W. Taylor, 120 W. Market st.

*No. 145, Saginaw, Mich.—Pres., F. D. Horton, 908 Gehmania ave.

*No. 146, Bridgeport, Conn.

*No. 147, Anderson, Ind.

*No. 148, Washington, D. C.—Every Friday, Society Temple, cor. 6th and G st. N. W. Pres., Phil Deffer, 305 10th st. S. W.; R. S., M. E. Brandenberg, 517 11th st. S. W.; F. S., H. J. Wright, 822 4½ st. S. W.

*No. 149, Aurora, Ill.—First Wednesday of month in Forsters Hall, N. River st. Pres. E. H. Chapman, 441 South st; R. S., L. M. Frenier, 195 South Spencer st; F. S., J. E. Millhouse, 23 Broadway.

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Names of Persons Who Worked Against the Brotherhood at Cleveland.

CUYAHOGA TELEPHONE.

Nelson.
James.
*Wm. Crossley, Cincinnati, lineman.
Wm. Colby, "
*Robinson, "
Andy Hiram, "
Std. Spence, "
Wm. Bennett, "
Wm. Griffiths, "
C. W. Freahr, " and Peoria, Ill.
*Wm. Alder, Columbus, lineman.
*Frank Grove, Columbus, lineman.
*D. R. Davidson, St. Louis.
Carter, " lipeman.
*G. Cabanne, "
*R. Hurstburgh, "
*T. M. Corchran, "
Dude Loughlin, "
*Ed. Delaney, "
*Frank Lewin, "
*R. W. Gage, "
Bramhal, "
Ollie (Red) Strausbury, Cleveland.
W. F. Norton, "
*Ed. Cannon, No. 38 "
A. Saum, "
*Cord Chapman, No. 38, "
J. C. Quinn, " "
*Wm. Grant, " "
*Nelson Wilson, " "
Arthur Taylor, " "
John McMahon, " "
Kid Loughlin, Covington, Ky.
*Chas. Phillians, Lima, Ohio.
*Pearl Webb, Wabash, Ind.
*Fred Collaster, Grand Rapids, Mich.,
lineman.
*Ebe, Holland, Mich., lineman.
Robert Purselore, Elyria, Lineman.
Chas. Smith (one eyed) Upper Sandusky,
Lineman.
C. W. Graver.

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John Foulton, Cleveland.
Rob. Hall, "
Vint. Shaw, "
Thomas Bryan, Milwaukee.
Frank Van Blanden, Wheeling, W. V.
Nelson Wallson, Portland, Oregon.
*Mike McKenzie, 56 Erie, Pa.
Ed. Read, Galt, Ont.
*Phil Akers, Local No. 45, Buffalo, N. Y.
*Steve Coyne, Local No. 38, Cleveland.
*James Holiday, Local No. 38, Cleveland.
*James Cummings, Local No. 9, Chicago.
*Burk, Milwaukee, Wis.
*Flynn, Grand Rapids, Mich.
*Smith,
*Pat Casey, Local No. 38, Cleveland.
Gus Johnston,
Tom Warren.

Cranemen Scabs at Pittsburg.

J. E. Sheaffer, Frank Riley,
S. M. Clark, Wm. Ziegler,
E. D. McDonald, Coss. J. Riley,
J. C. Miller, Stephen Derby,
A. C. Furness, H. C. Logan,
M. Saunders, G. B. Lindsay,
W. C. Lang, Gust Hagen,
W. Stanley, H. Huddleston,
C. Lewis, F. Miller,
J. Blakely, A. Blakely,
Jack Snyder, W. F. Schwartz,
W. R. Franks, H. Hicks,
Pat Gormley, D. Lindsay,
S. F. Staub, C. B. Bailey,
J. H. Earhart, L. Logan,
H. N. Coffey, J. Logan,

W. N. Adams,
A. Shields,
A. Duncan,
B. M. Newell,
G. Hager,
Austin,
E. Pauley,
J. Pauley,
C. Farley,
D. Bane,
J. Bundy,
C. Reel,
J. Lowden,
J. Mears,
R. Stout,
H. Jeanette,
McCullough,
W. Wilson,
E. Ebert,
F. Baker.

Scabbed in the Greater New York Lockout.

STATEN ISLAND DIVISION.

Nick Dewire, J. Thompson,
Schneider, Jim O'Brine (Big Jim)

LONG ISLAND DIVISION.

E. C. Boughton, Local No. 20.
W. J. Bigler, (Whispering Willie)
Chas. Flynn (Blizzard)
Robt. Caskey (Toothpick)
James McDonough (Bender)
Jack Kelly, John McHugh,
Andy Peters, Wm. Flanery,
John Peaty, William Farrell,
Richard Peaty, Wm. Crevling,
Louea Alson, Geo. Mitchell,
Tim Leahy, Patrick King,
Chas. McCarten, Chas. Van (Trolley),
John Keenan, Ervy Slosch,
Jack Davern, —Hendricks
David Columbus.

A. B. McLeod, John Bath,
Samuel McElroy, Wm. Organ.

Linemen Who Scabbed in Chicago in June, 1900, for the Commonwealth Electric Co.

*Fred Biersworth, Chicago.

*Geo. W. Beal, "
*Chas. Bilby, "
*P. Nelson, "
Fred Dogett, "
Mike Reider, "
Geo. Nevitt, "
E. Gagne, "
W. R. Utley, "

Names of Persons Who Worked During the Strike in Philadelphia.

L. Airhart, Tom Adamson,
Anthony, W. H. Baker,
Geo. Boggs, Paul Bryer,
*A. F. Chase, Geo. Cassatt,
Ed. Dillon, Clarence Dougherty,
E. Eadson, *Walter Fisher,
Mort Fisher, *W. Govett,
*R. B. Glines, Wm. M. Snyder,
Hershog, H. Hughes,
H. Henry, *Eric Hellman,
M. Irish, *H. Klepfer,
D. Klepfer, C. Lippitt,
C. Landis, A. Lilly,
Geo. Meek, Lew Mouslev,
C. Manee, —Merrill,
Morrison, *W. R. McLain,
F. T. McCormick, Jno. McMorro,
*B. McGroarty, M. Noll (from Buffalo)
J. O'Donnell, W. Pressler,
*F. Peterson, C. Page,
J. H. C. Payne, Wm. Roberts,
Wm. Pangborne, Jack Ritchie,
Al Rodin, G. Slaughter,
C. Stevenson, Charlie Shay,
*Wm. Sealon, R. Schofield,
G. Saxonmeyer, G. Saxer,
F. F. Shipp, *George Tefteau, Jr.,
M. Taylor,

S. O. Wynne, C. J. Webb,
D. W. Wilson, C. B. Wiley,
F. Warnock.

Men Who Scabbed in Baltimore.

UNITED ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER CO.

*Chas. Murphy, Elwood Wheeler,
Ed. Carmody, Charlie Cochran,
Wm. White, Charlie Roeder,
John Dreseman, J. W. Hodges,
*John Bateman, ex-Pres. No. 39.

UNITED RY. & ELEC. CO.

*Geo. Acree, *Calvin Martin,
*M. Fitzmaurice,
*A. A. Foreman (R. S., Charleston, S. C.)
Reeves, Rowland Clark,
*Frank Garman, Duvall Clark,
Harry Reinish, J. Regan.

MARYLAND TEL. CO.

*Beggy, No. 49, Chicago.

*H. Uhler, alias "Possum."

*Ed. Colton, *J. Bergen,
*Robt. Stump.

Men Who Scabbed at Columbus, O., with the Citizens' Tel. Co.

Chas. Seaborn, Henry Butze
*Asy Smuck, No. 48, burst Ft. Wayne local
*C. Luchenbill, No. 10, Indianapolis, Ind.
Bob Wattering, Frank Ware
John Shimp, "Frenchy"

Linemen Who Scabbed at Philadelphia During the Lockout.

BELL CO.

Albert Van Billiard *H. A. Longenecker
*Philip Kamm *Geo. Leiber
*Harry Auer *Smith Harris
Geo. W. Murphy *Harry Gabel
*J. J. Duffy *Saml Simon
*Harvey Rumenter *Daniel Haley
Wm Raha *Wm Knorr
*Wm Henratta *Jos Grismier
*C. A. Patterson *Anthony W. Cassin
*Albert Denight *Wm Rush
Bart Sullivan *Wm Powell
Michael Robinson *Richard Pirth
Michael Lavin *John Saunders
*Geo Herrshaft Fred Wahl
*Geo Blumenshine Harry Jenkins
*Harry Gosslin Ross Anderson
*Wm Gesinane James Smiley
*Dominick Morrissey Dennis Daley
*Michael McHugh James Patterson
Irvin Hihler Geo Wright
John Hunke John Barr
Robert Moore Thomas Kerus
*Jos Hagen John Griffenbarg
Wm Breese John Mull
Clarence Lee Michael Murphy
Stockton Grady J. Pulinger
Wm Sherwood Irvin Kendall
Jas O'Donnell Chas Moran
John Christie Jerry Haley
Charles Webb Dick Russell
Fred West John Rawn
John Lewis Geo Gallas
Albert Wilson

DET. & ATLANTIC TEL. & TEL. CO.

John Kernan (Kern) *Thos Chreehan
James Dooley Michael McLasac
*Jonas Myrs John Welch
*John White John Connolly (Brown)
*Peter Boylan Peter Connolly
*Frank Truax Wm Wright (Tenny)
*Chas Stroup Wm Smith
*H. A. Zebley Taylor Dixon
*John Lynch Merritt Dixon
Wm Simpson J. E. Dixon
Thos. Rooney *John Dixon
Jos McElroy Taylor Grey
Saul Buckley James Grey
John O'Brien Wm Grey
Chas Hoff Isaac Grey
A Pergiesie (Frenzy) Thos Grey
Fulton O'Brien Richard Penn

Thomas Golden
Jos Englese.
Thos Hawley
Ed Woelsman
Monty Conasaras
R. Neiles.

Dorin Penn
Dorry Smith
Ed Ireland
Jake Burkins
Thos Bronson

SUBURBAN E. L. & P. CO.
Frank Haley
Thos Carr.

POWELTON E. L. & P. CO.
David Davis
*Wm J. Sutcliffe

SOUTHERN E. L. & P. CO.
Wesley Dougherty
*Antonie Killian

GERMANTOWN E. L. & P. CO.
Harry Neil.

DIAMOND E. L. & P. CO.
Tony High
WISSIHIEKEN E. L. & P. CO.
Richard Henke (Dutch Diek)

CAMDEN E. L. & P. CO.
*Joseph Wisner
*Wm Straub.

ATLANTIC CITY E. L. & P. CO.
Chas Smallwood
*M L Straughn
Harold Turner
Buck Meridith
Geo Black
John Bell.

THE WM. CRAMP & SON, SHIP & ENGINE
BUILDING CO.

*Henry Lipp, Jr
Jos Flynn.

NORTHERN E. L. & P. CO.
Chas D Eisenhart
David Luther
*Lewis Fisher

MANUFACTURERS E. L. & P. CO.
Mahlon Neald (Red)
*W. Kirkwood
Michael Wagner
Wm Dunn.

BRUSH E. L. CO.
John McNamara
S. G. Slack
Frank Porst
Robt Hudson
Michael Kane.

Scab Trimmers.
*Chas J Green
*Edw Helm
*Wm E Pickett
*James Murray
*H A Millin
*John Longton
*Harry Ariels
*Wm Miller
*Henry Beyerle
*Geo E Headman
*Geo Wetter, Jr
Wm Klinefelten
*E E Kuntz
W B Hank

Men who Scabbed in Chicago.

UNION TRACTION LINE.
H. C. Sharp (King scab),
C. Schinnenburg,
J. L. George,
Mike Hyland,
W. Arnold,

S. CHICAGO STORAGE BATTERY LINE.
Wm. Bell.

Trenton, N. J., Bell Telephone Scabs.
Lewis Babcock,
Lew Fisher,
Edward Braasch,

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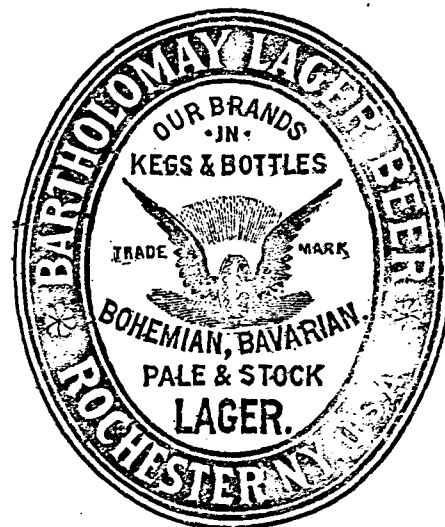
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William A. Breese,	A. V. Byram,
W. A. Chapman,	F. Barrows,
J. Cunningham,	Fred Byram,
Joe. Clancy,	W. A. Boggaines,
A. C. Chase,	S. S. Boggaines,
Joseph Lodge,	R. Baker,
P. J. Cassidy,	A. Cox.
E. H. Costello,	George Reynolds,
Angus Ducetts,	A. Poor, Cleveland,
J. Dingbamm,	J. Pettet,
C. E. Davis,	Charles Lynn,
Chas. J. Dambach,	A. Lawson,
R. P. Dennis,	Wm. Emerson,
E. Ricketts,	W. W. Savage,
W. J. Vanhook,	Chas. Geckler,
F. W. Gilbey,	H. Gail,
G. E. Hatch,	H. Jealme,
J. Kearney,	Chas. Arnold.
A. P. Addleman, expl.	

NOT MEMBERS OF 45.

Geo Lowhouse,	W. Cole,
C. Rank,	— Small,
C. Gunn,	— Green,
O. Pfeiffer,	M. McQuarry,
F. Hall,	Ed. Whitesides,
H. Lockman,	H. Hayes,
Rob Smith,	F. Tenny,
G. Huhn,	J. Welch,
W. Ginther,	C. H. Byram,
C. A. Connell.	

SCABS FROM BATAVIA.

Frank (Buck) Ryan	Tom Calahan,
Mike Condon,	Kif Casey,
Wm. Barber, Albion,	Wm. Miller, Canada,
Frank Morton, Buf.	Geo. Ingals, Avon,
Geo. Bowers, Avon	Pat McGan,
Al. Bush, L. 44,	Frank Preston,
Kirbie,	Clarence Radfuse,
Dan Roach.	



TEXAS STATE CONVENTION.

Report of the meeting of the delegates of the several locals of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, representing the several locals in the State of Texas, October 1st, 1900.

Convention called for the purpose of establishing a uniform wage scale for the Texas locals, and for the purpose of discussing ways and means of organizing the telephone operators all over the state.

Upon the meeting of the delegates of the several locals, Bro. R. R. Tripp of Houston, was elected permanent Chairman, F. C. Caine of Waco, permanent Secretary. Call was then read.

The following committees were appointed: Committee on Credentials—Bro. Caple of Waco, Bro. Seahorn of Houston, Herring of San Antonio. Committee on Rules—Bro. Cory of El Paso, Bro. Morris of Waco, Bro. George of Houston. Committee on Resolutions—Bro. Flory of Fort Worth, Bro. Cory of El Paso, Bro. Seahorn of Houston. Meeting adjourned until October 2, 1900, at 8 o'clock a. m.

Meeting called to order by Bro. Tripp. Report of the Committee on Credentials accepted and the following members seated: Houston, George Seahorn, C. R. George, R. R. Tripp; San Antonio, W. A. Herring; El Paso, Ed. Cory; Fort Worth, E. C. Flory; Waco, J. E. Capple, C. F. Morris, F. C. Caine.

Report of the Committee on Rules—Report of the committee accepted as follows, the order of business of the Convention: 1. Called to order; 2. Presentation of Credentials; 3. Report of Committee on Credentials; 4. Roll call; 5. Reading of Minutes; 6. Appointment of Committees; 7. Communications and bills; 8. Resolutions; 9. Reports of Committees; 10. New business; 11. Adjournment. Report received and Committee relieved.

Dispensed with the reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting.

Report of Committee on Resolutions adopted.

Resolutions No. 1, Waco, Oct. 2, 1900. To the Executive Board of the I. E. E. W., Greeting:

We, the representatives of the several locals in Texas in convention assembled, do most earnestly request that all the Texas locals be given the active assistance of the State organizer to help organize the telephone operators. Realizing from the example of 66 this is the most important move to the telephone workers ever made by the I. E. E. W., we deem it of the utmost importance that the movement be pushed to the fullest extent. We further request, in view of the fact that we are surrounded by a vast territory which is practically unorganized, the workers of which the Texas locals have to contend with in the struggle for better conditions,

that after the above work is accomplished that the Southern organizer be placed upon the road a few months to organize this territory, thereby removing this constant menace not only to the Texas locals but to the entire brotherhood.

NEW BUSINESS.

Committee on Scale of Wages—Morris, of Waco; Flory, of Fort Worth; Herring, of San Antonio; Cory, of El Paso; George, of Houston.

Report of the Committee on wages. Scale of wages accepted and Committee released. (Scale attached.)

Bro. Tripp, of Houston, elected corresponding secretary of the convention, to receive all communications and answer all correspondence, winding up the business of this convention. Adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

Meeting called to order 1:45 p. m. Minutes read and adopted. Motion made and carried that resolution No. 1 be sent at once to the Executive Board for immediate action.

Resolution No. 2 adopted—Be it resolved, by the delegates here assembled, that a vote of thanks to the locals who so promptly responded to a call for a State convention and that No. 72 be tendered a special vote of thanks for the courteous manner in which they have entertained the visiting delegates, and be it further resolved, that we stand by each other in this fight against corporate greed; "That the strong shall assist the weak," and that this shall be considered the sense of this meeting, and we believe that great good will immediately result from this convention.

Motion made and carried that the expenses incurred by our corresponding secretary be prorated and that each local pay their share of such expense.

Motion made and carried that each local in the State shall address a letter to the Executive Board requesting them to authorize expense of organizer in the South according to Resolution No. 1.

Resolution No. 3—Be it resolved that we extend to Bro. R. R. Tripp a vote of thanks for the valuable assistance and advice that he has given us, and for the able manner in which he has conducted the deliberations of this body.

Reading of the Minutes of the afternoon session read and adopted.

Motion made and carried that any local contemplating trouble shall write the Executive Board before taking action. Motion made and carried to adjourn 3:20 p. m., October 2.

SCALE OF WAGES.

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Assistant foremen..... 3 25
Foremen, city..... 3 50

Foremen, general	3 75
Line trouble men	3 00
Instrument trouble men	3 00
Cable men	3 50
Inside wiremen, telephone	3 00
Inside wiremen, electric light	3 00
Switchboard men	3 00
Assistant switchboard men	2 75
Chief operator, day lady, under 1,500 subscribed, per month	40 00
Chief operator, day lady, over 1,500 subscribed, per month	45 00
Chief operator, night lady under 1,500 subscribed, per month	35 00
Chief operator, day lady, over 1,500 subscribed, per month	40 00
Operators, first three months	20 00
" next " " 	22 50
" " six " 	25 00
" over one year	30 00
Toll line operators after first year ..	35 00
Trimmers, city, without rig	60 00
Trimmers, commercial	60 00
Engineers	75 00
Dynamo men	60 00
Dynamo oilers, left to local, arma- ture winders	3 00
Shed men	2 50

SINGLE TAX VS. SOCIALISM.

My question, "How can we get socialism," is still unanswered. The writer in answer to my inquiry assumes in native guile that all that is necessary is a voting majority to enact measures and the reform is accomplished. Well, hardly. In order to make private property public property it must be either paid for or confiscated; the former cannot be done, and the latter means revolution. We must not only know what we want, but is it possible to attain.

We cannot legislate the price of bread or other commodities, neither can a legal enactment change the law of gravity, so neither can a legal majority declare all private property will henceforth belong in common to the public unless they pay a fair price for it.

Now let us consider what can be done; first all will agree a tax must be raised equal to the value of the property and enough to pay the cost of collection, and if that tax is so placed it would be the worst form of oppression, such as our present method of taxation, an oppression that is worse than "capitalism" (as our socialist friends term everything but labor), for hard times are made by a wrong system of taxation, and all sorts of two-by-four laws and legislative patch work is done before there is any attempt made to change the tax system which fosters privilege and robs the worker. But we know a sufficient revenue can not be raised to adopt socialism to any extent and the only recourse is to sell bonds, another method by which the worker is robbed of the fruits of his

toil. Of course there are a great many schools of thought in the socialists' ranks and there are those among them who will say, "labor produced the wealth and it is theirs by right of production."

I can indorse that and say the only clear title to wealth is that the possessor produced it, and if he has labored hard and saved we have no right to dispossess him of it. George expressed it well when he said, "I ask nothing for the poor that properly belongs to the rich, I ask that those that save should enjoy." There is no objection to any one being rich providing they created the wealth.

Why, our socialist friends differ with us is they see a condition but do not trace out its course. Not stopping to analyze, they class land as wealth though all things coming from the land are wealth and are termed so because they were produced, while land is a natural element and never was produced, and by reason of this error they have a wrong idea of property and they conclude to remedy present conditions by setting up an unnatural, man-made system which the human race has been afflicted with for centuries. Whether socialism will be better than the present unjust system is not so much the question as, is it right? Is there not a natural order intended for man in a social state whereby he can retain his individuality and enjoy the full gains of his industry? We claim the single tax will do this by giving to man his birthright and leaving him alone to work out his salvation.

Some twenty-five years ago the grange organization established stores, thinking the middle man was the cause of their poor living at such long hours work. They have since discovered they were "barking up the wrong tree," and now are demanding public ownership of natural monopolies, such as railroads, telegraph, etc. They now see the storekeeper is a producer like themselves and is a fellow victim to monopoly; I am with you to the extent of the public owning and doing those things where free competition is impossible, leaving to the individual to do the rest, knowing if he gets more than he produces in a business or occupation others will see it a paying business and their competition will soon eliminate the get something for nothing.

Space is too limited in our journal to treat in a conclusive way the question of production, distribution of wealth, and man's relation to the universe, but it does not take a great amount of reasoning to see that labor, primarily being the producer of all wealth, and that all wealth comes from the land (natural element), and labor having free access to it would have all it produced. We contend land ownership produces nothing. All it does is to take either as rent or purchase price (which is capitalize rent) the wealth labor pro-

duces. Land ownership has the opportunity that labor must have to produce wealth. Now, if land was like wealth that could be produced labor would soon be independent, for then it would produce more. But its quantity is stationary, while the increase of population and the growth of civilization makes a constant and greater demand for land; and as we have a system of private ownership the increased demand means, those that own it get more and more of what labor produces. This is why with all our improved methods of producing wealth the great masses are worse off. We propose to take the profit of land ownership for public expenses, leaving all to labor that it makes, thereby putting labor in its natural element, not imposing upon it the task of producing wealth without the natural material. Having done this we think labor will be possessor of all the wealth and will not require charity or the many proposed laws for its favor—ask no favors as a mendicant. Labor wants only its natural rights!

E. H. BOECK.

In strolling about the streets I am often amused to see people colliding with each other because they don't know which way to turn out. This reminds me of a rule laid down to me many years ago by an old man whom I admired greatly. "When you meet a man," he went on to say, "always turn to the right and you won't run into any one but a d— fool and it won't be necessary to apologize to him."—Ex.

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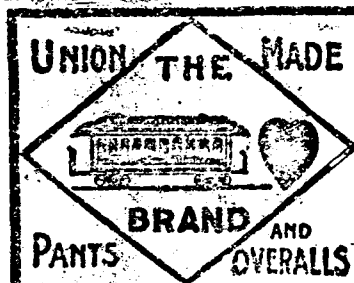
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